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"I really enjoyed dressing up and reading the Halloween story in speech class. It was fun—like playing dress-up. I handed out candy right after I read the story to them," said Angie Reinier, sophomore.

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"On Halloween I dressed up in a gorilla suit to come to the game to build up the team's and the kids' spirits. I'll do anything to build spirit," said Leonard Hopkins, Booster Club President.

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"Beating Baxter was the highlight of the basketball season. We all worked as a team and really stuck together under the pressure—and there was a lot of it!" said Kris Palmer, junior.



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"Sandy, Sherri, Luana, Mary Ann and I went to Jean Scene and tried on all the formals we could get our hands on. The worst part was trying to get the dresses zipped," said Nikki Carden, junior.

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"I really like working at Bates Auto Salvage because I am doing the kind of work that I enjoy. Taking pieces and parts off cars is messy, but I still like it," said Dale Hunkele, senior.

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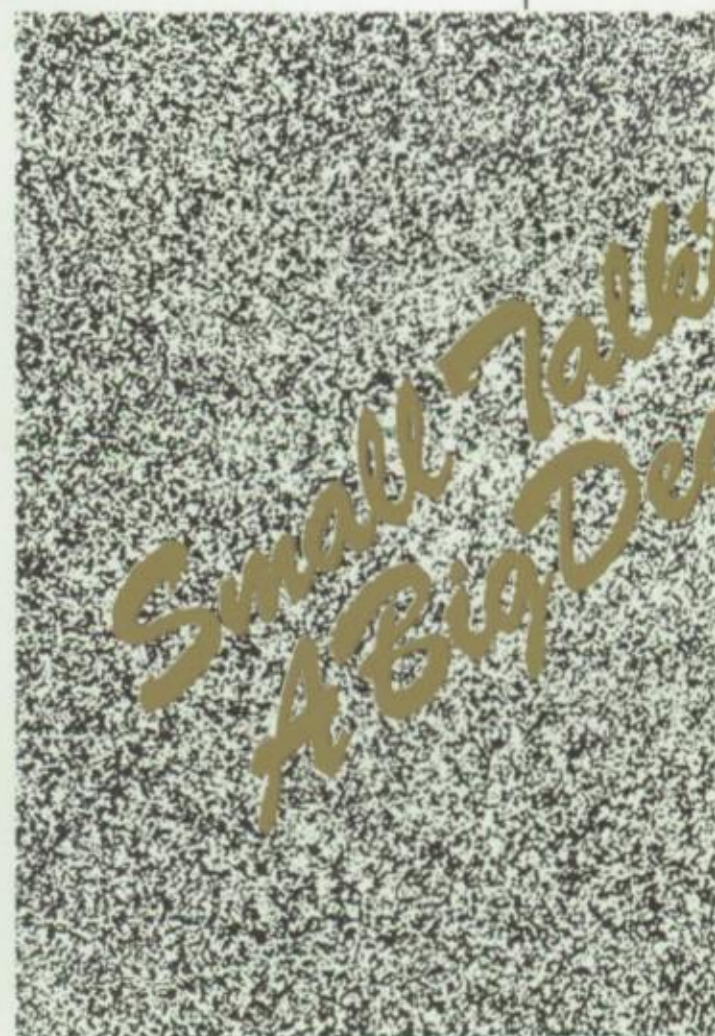
"When I first got to the homecoming dance, not many people were there. Nikki and I were starting the dance for everyone else. The shades were just an added touch," said Craig White, freshman.

*Between  
The  
Covers*





**CLOSE QUARTERS.** Squeezing through a tunnel of legs in the Viking Crawl competition on Feb. 28 at basketball homecoming spirit week play day is senior Rita Crain. Forming the obstacle course are seniors Jamey Rawlings, Bee Kime, Ruth Gibson and Elaine Blair. Vice-principal John Underwood monitors the event for which the seniors won first place. The Senior Class won the overall competition also.



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ortheast High School Viking, Volume 21, chronicles the 1986-87 school year at East South Street, Box 669, in Arma, Kansas 66712, phone 316-347-4115, home for Unified School District 246. School population 143 students.



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orced together for the first of 180, 7-hour days, 53 freshmen, 34 sophomores, 25 juniors and 31 seniors eyed open doors on Friday, Aug. 22.

It was only 8:30 in the morning, after all, and these people had slept in most of the summer. They had to get a grip on reality.

Conversations started the blood.

"Did you know Tom (McDonald, junior) hurt his shoulder again the second day of practice (Aug. 16) and coach doesn't know if he'll start in the first game against Erie (Sept. 6)?"

"Hey, isn't it great that the track team will have their own new track to compete on next year? Mr. (Marvin F., principal) Bualle says it will only take 90 days to finish if the weather cooperates."

"Wait until I tell you what Doug (Patterson, senior) and I did at Emporia when we went to the student

council workshop (June 16)."

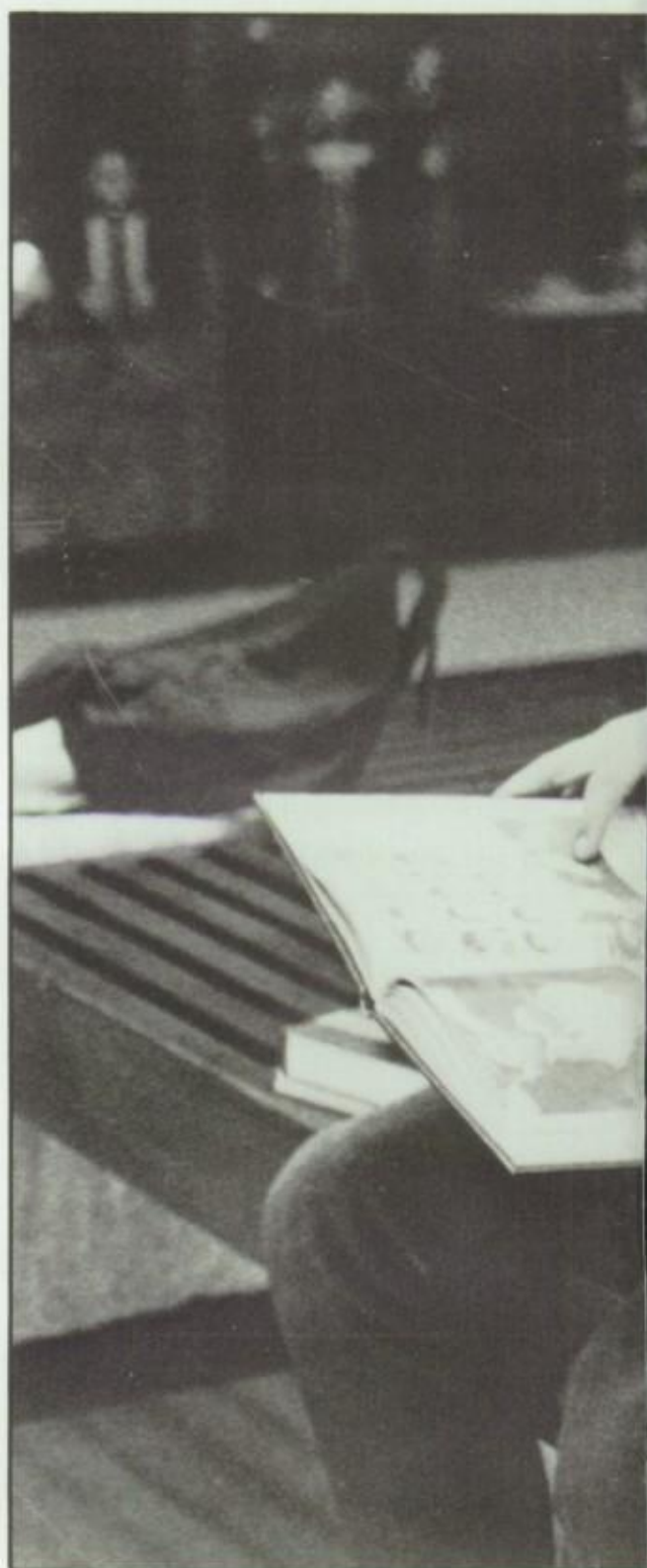
"Have you seen the new business teacher, Mr. (Joe) Broyles? I have him first hour in accounting."

"Mr. (Ken) Cleland has Mr. Marquez's old room. Guess that means he's teaching all the seniors history."

By 11:30, when the first day dismissed, even the freshmen had a grip on a whole summer of reality. Bits and pieces of a 3-month vacation from school rushed through the grapevine in three short hours.

It was already clear: closeness became Northeast, made the heart beat, lighted up the words "Small Talk's a Big Deal."

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**THE WORD IS OUT.** Discussing a bad call during the Balena basketball halftime are Kelly Robertson, Tracey Waterman and Laurie Mlekus, freshmen. Robertson uses facial expressions to get her point across.



**HALFTIME CHATTER.** Becky Evans and Andrea Frye, freshmen, talk while waiting for the second half of the boys' basketball game against Erie. Evans and Frye attended all 9 home games.

"When Todd Pyle delivered the rose from my girlfriend I could have died because Mitzi Tims (senior) kept teasing me about telling the girl's name," said Rob Stewart, sophomore.



**CHECK IT OUT.** Yearbook arrival had Troy Evans, senior, Kris Palmer and Nikki Carden, juniors, browsing through the memories. The books were distributed on August 22.





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s soon as the 8:02 morning bell rang, the double glass doors opened and the students started pouring into the hallways. The scene was set for another routine day at school.

Teachers often tried to get out of the "routine rut" by planning field trips, guest speakers or out-of-the-ordinary assignments.

"I really liked going on our home economics field trip because we got to go shopping most of the day," said Shana King, freshman. "We were a little wild, but it was unforgettable!"

"Even though it didn't go very smoothly, the mock trial was fun," said Luana Fleury, junior. "It was a change of pace and an interesting learning experience."

Drastic measures weren't the only way teachers could grasp a student's attention.

"I like English," said Stacy Kunstel, freshman. "Mrs. Crim and I get along so English is never boring."

True, classes turned out to be somewhat more enjoyable once students got involved. But, popular as classes could be, or well-liked as teachers were, the favorite time of the day was unanimous.

"I can't really complain about any of my classes this year; I enjoy all of them—especially chemistry," said Sherri Giordano, junior. "But when the final bell rings at 3, I'm the happiest of all!"

**MELTING POINT.** Learning the proper way to liquefy glass for future experiments are juniors Tom McDonald and Jeff Pryor. The first-hour chemistry class converted glass for a daily grade.



All In Our Heads

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**BEE-WITCHING.** Wearing a witch's costume to make her story more realistic, Bee Kime, senior, reads a Halloween story during sixth-hour speech class. Kime says that giving speeches sometimes makes her nervous.

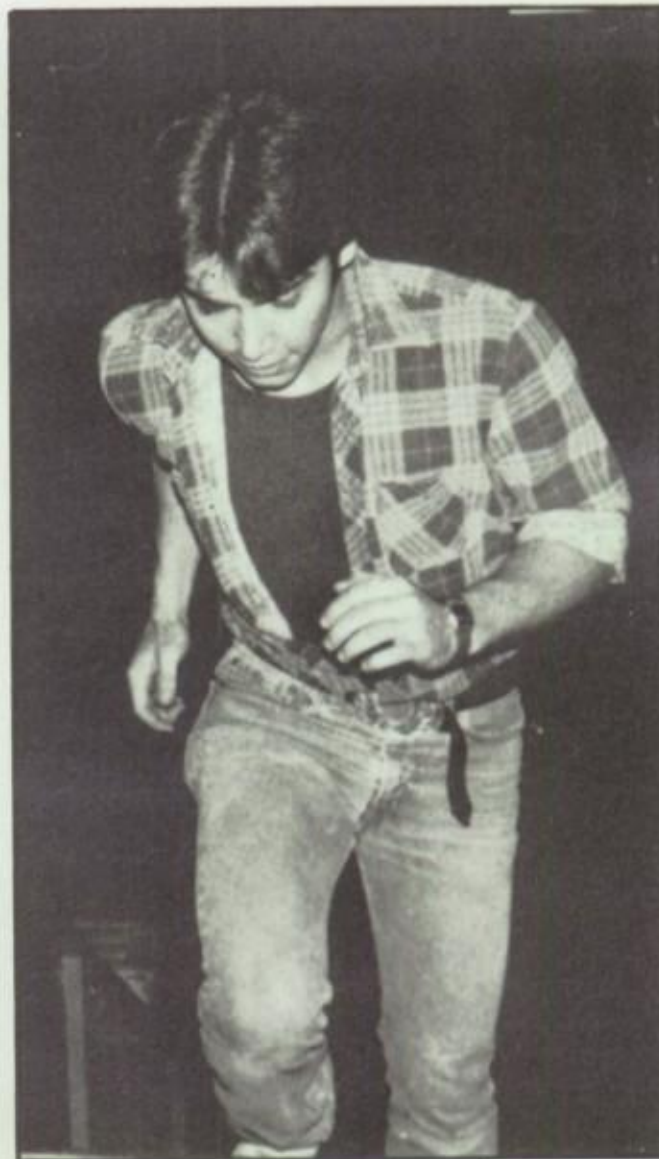
**READ ALL ABOUT IT.** In Alan Roberts' sixth-hour current trends class, juniors Vicki Rhodes and Melissa Horton review the news of the front page of the **Morning Sun** for facts on the death penalty.



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**UP AND AT'M.** In order to calculate the amount of horsepower used to run up stairs, Dale Hunkele, senior, takes his second run during second-hour physics class. Students were timed on three runs and then calculated those to find the total horsepower expended. Bill Holden, physics instructor, and three students all made the trip into the gym for their trial runs.





# AUTO for SALE

"Will sell or trade a green Ford pickup for a horse, a mule or possibly two goats. Contact auto dept."

Although work came before pleasure, members of Chris Easter's Auto I and Auto II had plenty of both.

Auto class activities included everything from helping desperate students with immobile cars to rebuilding engines.

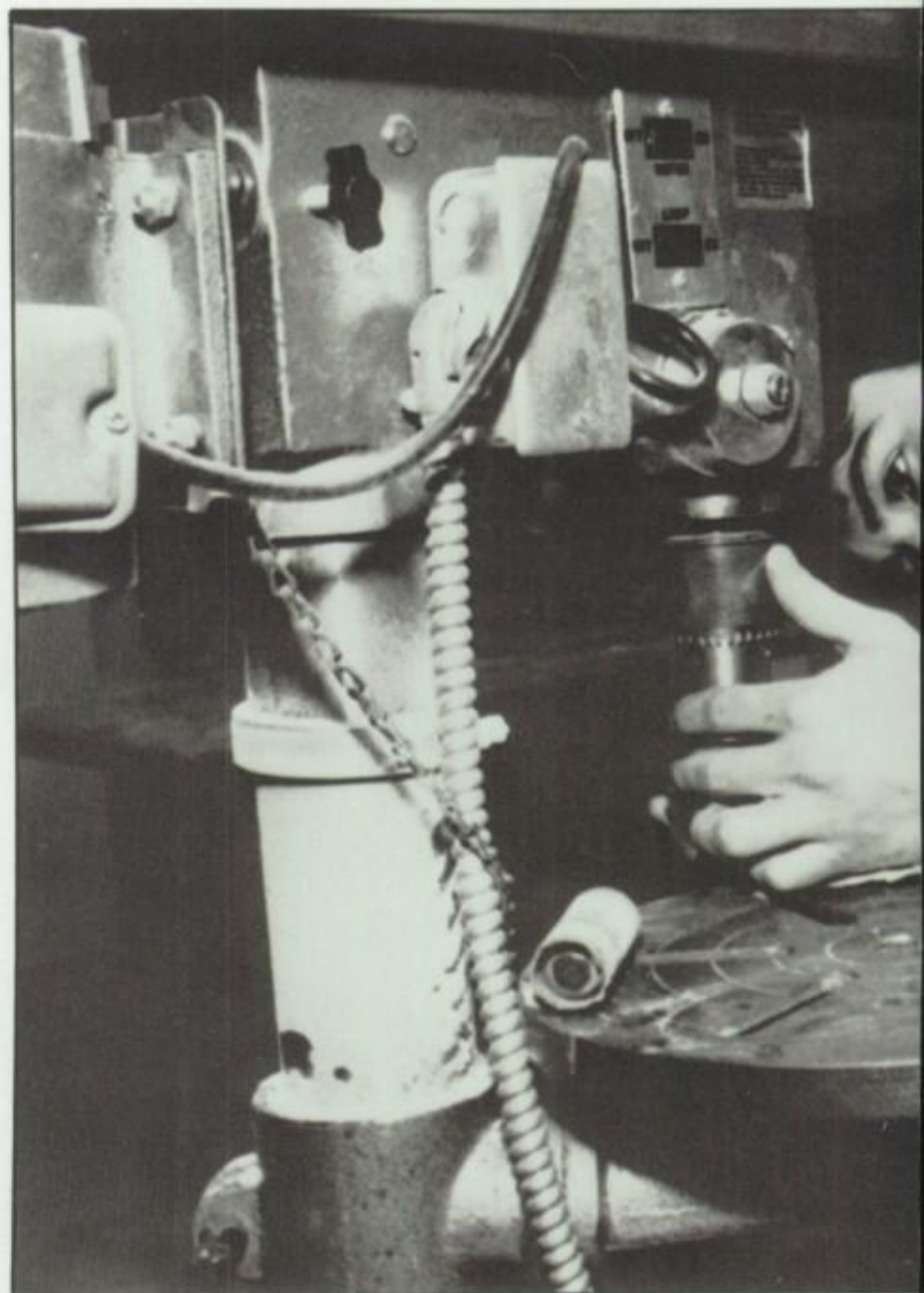
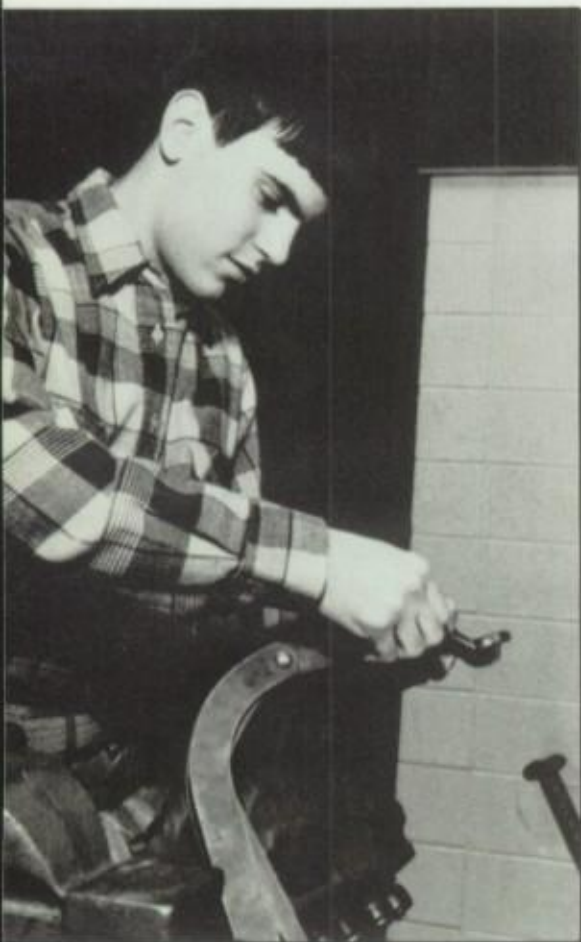
"I spend most of my time overhauling engines," said Jim Giordano, senior.

"I took the class to sharpen my auto mechanic skills," said David Robinson, junior.

"I'm learning to do minor repairs for myself, to save more money," said Aaron Cronister, junior.

Between and after jobs became pleasure time. Joke playing made classtime go faster.

**HEAVY METAL.** While in seventh-hour Auto II class, Jim Giordano, senior, puts a valve clamp on the head of an engine to squeeze the valves into place.



## One on One

One-on-one was the theme for Lebro Grisolano's fifth-hour welding class.

Only one student enrolled for the second-semester class.

"The smaller the class is the more individual attention the instructor is able to give the students," said Grisolano.

"Taking welding in high school will help me in my auto-body repair course I plan on taking after graduation," said Doug Tran, senior.

The class routine included

viewing films on operating equipment and shop safety, using a torch to cut metal, brazing and learning different kinds of welds.

"Although individual attention was an advantage, a little more man-power could have been used when working with the heavier materials," said Grisolano.

**SHOW AND TELL.** Doug Tran, senior, watches as Lebro Grisolano, welding instructor, marks the line on which to cut. The semester class has an enrollment of one.





# Choice Cut

Woodworking costs varied with each student's imagination and skill.

"I got the idea for the grandfather clock after my cousin made one. It will cost from \$200 to \$250," said Todd Pyle, junior.

Troy Evans, senior, made a rolltop desk from oak for auto teacher Chris Easter.

"Mr. Easter paid for the supplies, and I am making the desk with the help of Mr. Logiudici," said Evans.

Projects were the same in Wood I; the students made medicine cabinets.

"My medicine cabinet project cost about \$15 and took nine weeks to make," said Chris Malcolm, sophomore.

World of construction was offered to freshmen.

"I took the class to learn more about woodworking," said Cory Hallacy, freshman.

"We're building a mock house to learn more about construction, plumbing and wiring," said Chad Wickham, freshman.

Even girls ventured into the unknowns of woodworking. Ruth Gibson, senior, came back for her second year in the shop.

**PRESSING PROBLEMS.** Adjusting the drill press before making a hole is Dale Hunkele, senior. The drill press is just one of the wood tools available for shop classes.

"Last year I made a shelf, and this year I am making a hope chest to match," said Gibson.

*Hands On Work*

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## Attention to details

"I got into drafting because it puts drawing and mechanics together, and I like them both," said Clay Carrington, freshman.

Although tedious work, most agreed that drafting was a challenge of individual ability.

"Since I'm the only person in Drafting III, I don't have anybody to compete with but

myself," said Todd Pyle, junior.

"I like to work with numbers and angles, but sometimes it's a real challenge figuring out the rough draft," said Buster Hoy, sophomore.

**FINE RULED.** Working on his house plan is Todd Pyle, junior. Pyle was the only student in Drafting III from Lebro Grisolano. "The work is tedious, but I like it."





**PERFORMANCE COUNTS.** The assignment was to make up an aerobic routine. Charity Coulter, freshman, demonstrates one possible exercise her group may use in their routine.

## Don't you dare touch the floor

What do a ball, a scooter and a jump rope have in common? They are all a part of the game frozen floor. Frozen floor was only one of the many activities that freshmen girls in seventh-hour physical education participated in, but it seemed to be a favorite.

According to Jodi Allen, freshman, frozen floor is a team sport with jump ropes used to connect two players on scooters. The object is to get from one end of the gym to the other without touching the floor by using a ball to push off the floor. If the floor is touched, or if someone falls off her scooter, she is frozen until her team can help.

Most of the girls agreed that they liked this game because of the challenge involved. "My favorite game is frozen floor because it is challenging to get across the floor without touching it and being frozen in that spot," said Jeannie Hincey, freshman.

There were other reasons that the game was popular. "I like frozen floor because everyone gets involved," said Jackie Toschi, freshman.



# Ladies in weightlifting

Whenever third hour rolled around, junior Lisa Swoger and sophomore Melissa Wilson readied themselves for a class that put them in an unusual position. The class was Bill Harman's physical fitness class, and it was unusual because out of the seven students, there were only two girls.

This uneven ratio of boys to girls didn't seem to cause any troubles. On the contrary, it was a welcome change accepted by everyone. "I like having the girls in the class because it makes for a change of pace," said Pete Galindo, junior. "It also

shows that we are not chauvinistic."

"At first I felt out of place, but then I realized that I had as much of a right to be there as any of the boys did," said Wilson.

Wes Bedene, sophomore, said that the boys encouraged the girls to do their best and to never give up.

"We encourage the girls in any way possible to do their best," said Galindo.

**CURLS FOR GIRLS.** While Lisa Swoger, junior, waits for her turn, Melissa Wilson, sophomore, works seriously on the curls that are part of her workout. The girls work out three days a week.





# IRON MEN

"No pain, no gain."

"Always give 110 percent."

"Nothing worth while is ever easy."

These are some of the things heard by any student in weight-lifting class. Students were always encouraged to do their best, and they usually did.

"I took the class to gain better overall physical condition," said Jeff Pryor, junior. "I am satisfied with my achievements."

"One reason I lift weights is for good body development," said Tom McDonald, junior. "I don't feel I have quite reached my goal, but I'm working hard to get

**HEALTH KICK.** While in third-hour physical fitness, Pete Galindo, junior, works on building up his quadriceps. Galindo says these muscles are important for shot putting.

there."

"I took weight lifting to increase my strength for track. I would like to be a state champion shot-putter by the end of my high school career," said Pete Galindo, junior.

Weight lifting was nothing new for the students, and achievements varied. "When I was a junior, I benched pressed 185 pounds," said J.P. Totman, senior. "I now do 230 pounds."

"When I was a freshman, I started at 186 pounds on the bench press. I was up to 262 pounds, but since my football injury I can only do 219 pounds," said McDonald.

Galindo was the unofficial, in-school record holder for bench pressing at 361 pounds. "I started at 220 pounds as a freshman," said Galindo.

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# life savers

It's two o'clock after Sunday dinner. Grandpa sits watching Superbowl XXI in his favorite chair. Suddenly Grandpa grabs his chest and falls forward.

Would you know what to do in this situation? The freshmen boys in first-hour physical education learned that you would use cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR). Bill Harman instructed the boys on how to use CPR in an emergency. The boys learned many lifesaving techniques.

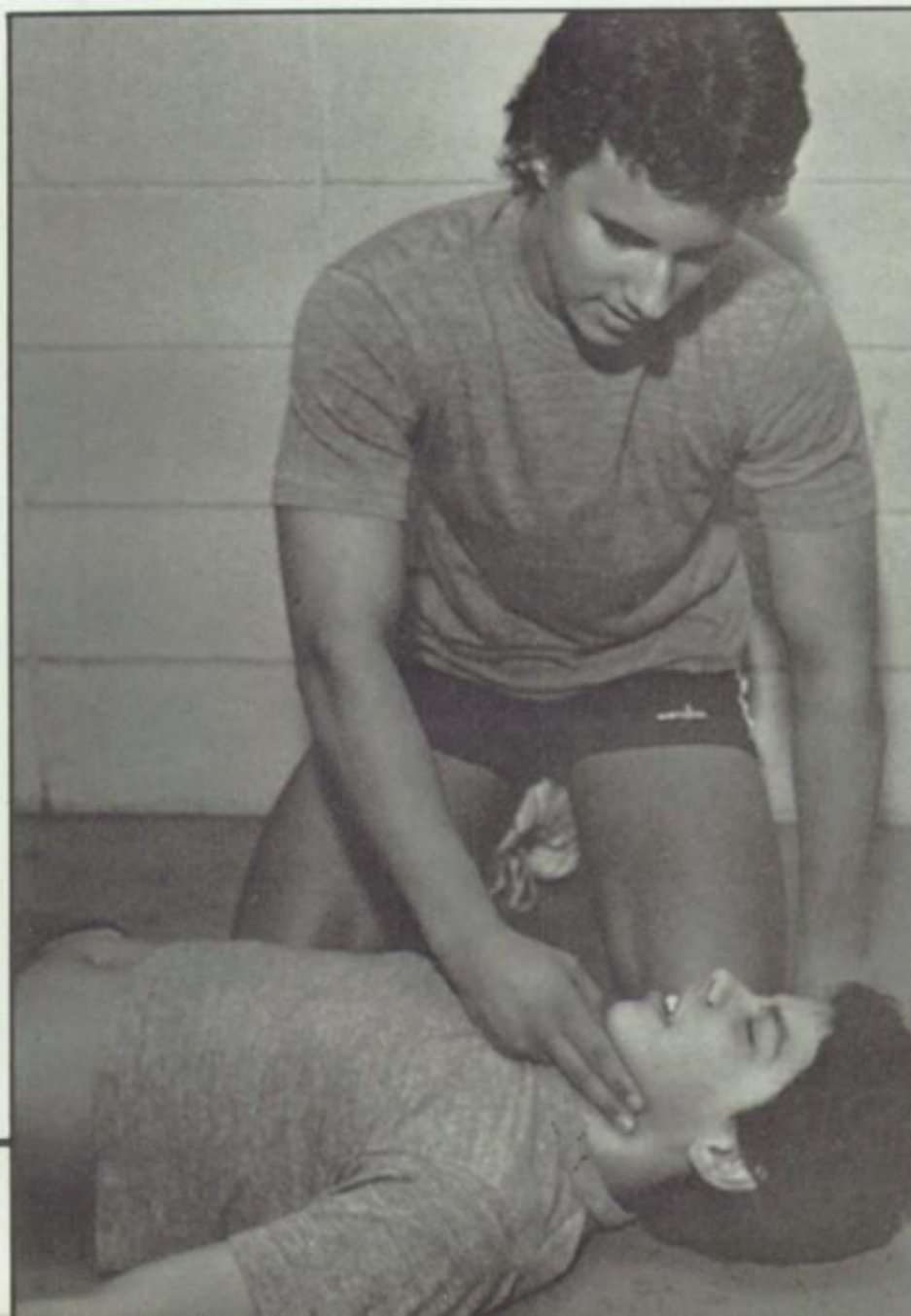
"I learned that I can keep someone alive, even if it is just until an ambulance can get them to a hospital," said Matt Cronister, freshman.

"I think it is very important to know CPR techniques," said Craig Spencer, freshman. "You never know when you might need it."

Confidence levels varied when it came to actually performing CPR. "I feel confident that I could save someone in an emergency," said Jason Hamblin, freshman.

"I wouldn't be very confident unless I had more practice," said Cronister.

**THE REAL THING.** Because no dummy was available, freshmen Cory Hallacy and Chris Bualle practice the CPR techniques they learned on each other. Both boys say it is fun and interesting.





# Foods For Thought

Students walking the halls around noon could always smell just how successful the home economics classes really were.

"Some of my dishes were disasters," said Sonya Grigsby, sophomore. "We made broccoli and cheese spaghetti once, and it turned out O.K. It tasted gross, but I

think that's the way it's supposed to taste."

Just because advanced home economic students had one year more experience with cooking didn't mean they didn't have mishaps, too.

"I made surprise burgers for a course on microwave cooking. When everyone was done, we had to switch half of our own with someone else," said senior Tanja Buchanan, advanced home economics student.

**MUFFIN MAKER.** Kitchen "red" was where Vercie Gibson, sophomore, did most of her cooking. Gibson says baking oatmeal muffins is her favorite project.

# Craftiness

Mix together a little bit of fun and a lot of creativity and what did you get?

Creative crafts was a class that incorporated new ideas along with general knowledge that seniors could use in the future.

"I have learned a lot of different craft ideas in creative crafts, from house decorating to wall hangings to making dolls and blankets," said Kerrie Hopkins, senior.

"By doing all of these different projects in class, I think I will be more skilled when I have to fix up a house of my own," said Mitzi Tims, senior.

Hand-in-hand with the creativity came a lot of different and unusual projects.

"Creative crafts has been a really unique experience," said Jodi Goodman, senior.

"My worst project was our windsocks because my windsock didn't look at all like it was supposed to look."

"I did learn how to crochet, which I feel would help me in the future," said Goodman.

"The only bad thing about the class was that all the craft projects cost a lot to make. During the year a student might have to spend as much as \$150 to have enough different projects to keep busy," said Myrta Kelderhouse, creative crafts instructor. "Some even spent more."

**WET PAINT!** Designing a sweatshirt using puff paint, Barbie Hines, senior, uses a special instrument to draw a picture on the material. Hines says she has to let it dry for four hours.





## Behind the Wheel

"The first time I drove for drivers ed, I was so nervous that I accidentally turned on the water instead of the windshield wipers like Mr. Harman told me," said Shaylon Bennett, sophomore.

Often driver education students were extremely nervous just at the thought of getting behind the wheel. Even students who had driven before said they felt twinges of doubt as their driving time approached.

"I haven't driven yet because we drive by alphabetical order, and I'm towards the end of the list," said Melissa Wilson, sophomore. "Although I have driven before, I'm still scared because I just had a wreck not too long ago."

Driver education prompted strong reactions from passengers who weren't driving too.

"Driver ed wasn't too scary for me, but riding with my partner — no names please — was an experience I won't forget!" said L.J. Dungan, sophomore.

**READY FOR TAKE-OFF.** To prepare for his driving lesson, Tuan Tran, sophomore, fastens his seatbelt. Bill Harman, driver ed instructor, observes.

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## so straight

Have you ever felt that nothing has gone right, that Murphy's Law is dominating all your actions?

Home Economics I was acknowledged by many freshmen girls as the class where disaster ran amuck.

"I ripped out my zipper on my dress seven times," said Stacy Kunstel, freshman. "It took me nine-and-a-half weeks to do that skirt."

"One time I sewed all the gathers in my dress and after discovered there was not thread in the machine because someone had cut it. There was just a bunch of holes!" said Jackie Toschi, freshman.

The requirements for Home Economics I were to complete a sweatshirt, a garment with a zipper, a garment with fitted sleeves and then a garment of the student's choice.

Freshmen often faced terrible odds in the race to get their garments finished on time, though.

"Home ec is a hard class because I hate to rip out. I've been late on almost all my garments," said Becky Banks, freshman. "My dress was the hardest project. It took me six weeks just to get my zipper on the dress!"

"I throw tantrums and throw things, especially chairs, when I have to rip out or whenever my sewing machine doesn't work," said Shana King, freshman. "It makes me so mad!"

"I remember once I cut up Barbie Hines' apron for scrap material. It was the first week or so of school and I was so scared!" said Kunstel.

**SEW PERFECT.** Two times a week, from 3 o'clock to 4 o'clock, Stacy Kunstel, freshman, stays after school so she can finish her skirt.





# Taste of success ; photog hits it big

From Smalltown USA to shooting a hot air balloon race high over the Pocono Mountains an hour away from Allentown, Pennsylvania, was a quantum leap, but one JoEllen Black has made like a pro.

Black, Class of '82, was a high school photographer and writer. Now she is majoring in journalism at the University of Kansas in Lawrence. Black's 13-week experience as an intern with **The Morning Call** in Allentown just ended, and she returned to her Alma Mater to talk with Barbara Crim's journalism classes and to present a photography slide show of her work.

"I really enjoy photography and writing and since I like it so well, it makes school so much more fun and makes it go a lot faster and makes grades come easier," said Black.



**EXPERIENCED ANGLE.** With a picture of a basketball court on the chalkboard, JoEllen Black, Class of '82, shows journalism and publication students how to shoot from the right angle.



## Ad Campaign Sell-alibration

"Sell, sell, sell" were the words heard from teacher Barbara Crim's mouth. "The more we sell the better the yearbook will be" was what went running through the students' heads as they went from door-to-door at businesses in Pittsburg, Girard, Fort Scott, and the USD 246 area.

"I was terrified when I had to go up to all those strangers. Sometimes I would stutter, and they'd think I was real strange, but I'd just smile and be as polite as could be, and they'd buy," said Mary Ann Blessent, junior.

"Selling ads was tough,"

said Kris Palmer, junior. "I would be real nice, and sometimes the businesses would be so rude."

"Selling ads was O.K.," said Nikki Carden, junior. "It was fun because we got out of school. But also it was hard work because we walked all over the towns."

**YEARBOOK STAFF.** Front Row: Dana Davidson, assistant editor; Kris Palmer, sports editor; Nikki Carden, student-life co-editor; Mary Ann Blessent, people co-editor; Luana Fleury, academic editor. Back Row: Doug Patterson, graphic art and advertising editor; Michele Henrie, editor-in-chief; Sandy Stewart, people co-editor; Lynetta Younge, student-life co-editor; Sherri Giordano, photographer editor.







# Best Of The Best

For the first time in history, the Northeast High School journalism department brought home the 1-A/2A sweepstakes trophy from state journalism competition at the University of Kansas at Lawrence on March 28.

In order to enter the Kansas Scholastic Press Association State contest, participants had to place at regional contest at Pittsburg State University on Feb. 13.

In state competition at Kansas University the journalism department competed against 88 students from 35 schools. Northeast won 22 points to take home the trophy.

Winners from state competition included the following: Aime Broyles, sophomore, first in headline writing and second in news writing; Luana Fleury, junior, first in theme development and graphics and second in yearbook copy-writing; Sherri Giordano, junior, second in editorial writing; and Kristi Montanelli, junior, second in newspaper make-up.

"I am proud of all the students who competed because by having 14 qualify for state, we increased our chances of placing," said Barbara Crim, journalism instructor.

**A REAL FIT.** Sizing a picture so they can crop to a perfect fit are Nikki Carden and Sandy Stewart, juniors. Carden and Stewart both save cropping for last because it is their least favorite.

"I was proud of each and everyone of the students. I know they were nervous, so it made it tough to compete," said Joe Broyles, sponsor.

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## a real eye-opener

"It's too early to think," said the first-hour journalism class. "I just got up; I can't write yet." These words echoed through the classroom. But even with droopy heads the journalism class still managed to publish eight issues of the newspaper during the year.

"When I come here in the morning, sometimes my eyes just don't want to focus. But it never fails, Mrs. Crim always gets us rolling," said Greg Banks, sophomore.

"Sometimes I've come in a little after the bell because I slept too late in the morning. It always seems tough to get myself going, but once I get going, everything is great," said J.P. Totman, senior.

"Next year the class has

been moved to later in the day, which will help the staff immensely," said Barbara Crim, journalism instructor.

"I'm glad journalism is moved to sixth hour. It will make it easier," said Banks.

"The worst part about having newspaper scheduled the first hour in the morning was that no businesses were ever open for the staff to sell their advertising," said Crim. "It made it very difficult because the staff had to sell enough ad space to support seven 8-page issues of **The Viking** and one 12-page issue of **The Viking**. The board of education did supplement our budget \$1,600 because advertising never quite supports the total costs."



**NEWSPAPER STAFF.** Front Row: Kristi Montanelli, assistant editor/managing; Aime Broyles, assistant editor/news; Nikki Carden, reporter; Mary Ann Blessent, reporter. Back Row: Callie Carrell, reporter; Greg Banks, reporter; Paul Christman, assistant editor/sports; J.P. Totman, editor-in-chief.



# HANDS-ON PROJECT

Students in Art I seemed to get more hands-on experience in Evelyn James' Art I class, compared to previous years.

"In Art I, I figured we would learn more about history, but Mrs. James let us do sculptures, paintings and a project of our own," said Lance Kocur, freshman.

Art II class became more of a challenge compared to Art I. Students got the chance to do more of a variety of projects than Art I students.

"The projects we did were more complex than Art I. The projects were also more time-consuming than the pro-

jects we did in Art I," said Barry Rasnic, senior.

Art III had an extended unit in ceramics and also worked with copper enameling and copper tooling, according to James.

Drypoint engraving was one of the unique things Art IV students got the opportunity to do.

"The design is scratched into a soft plastic plate, then inked with etching and engraving ink," said James.

**PERFECTIONIST.** After receiving a best in division, freshman Jason Hamblin listens as art instructor Evelyn James gives Hamblin a few pointers on areas he could have done differently.



*Notable Talents*

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## just for song

"Vocal music is a way of expressing creativity, and it is a release of different emotions. I really enjoy singing because it provides a challenge to do the best I can," said Kathy Collins, senior.

Vocal music was more than just a challenge for junior Vicki Rhodes, who made it to state competition and received a one rating.

"I practiced every day after school and usually every day before school. My voice teacher helped me pick out the music. She found songs she thought would suit my ability, and she let me decide from those which ones I thought I could handle performing in front of judges and a large audience," said Rhodes.

The mixed ensemble, consisting of seniors Rita Crain, Ruth Gibson, Kerrie Hopkins, Michele Henrie, Collins,

Barry Rasnic, J.P. Totman and Mike Schroeder, Rhodes and freshmen Becky Evans, Andrea Frye, Terri Bridgewater and Christina Crumby, received a two on their number "Time to Fly."

The girls' ensemble, consisting of Crain, Gibson, Rhodes, Evans, Bridgewater, Crumby, Frye and freshmen Stacy Kunstel, Becky Banks and Jackie Toschi, received a one on their performance of "Flying Dreams."

"We worked really hard on our selection. It wasn't that easy trying to get everyone in tune at the same time, but I think we performed really well under the pressure," said Banks.

**QUARTET.** Practice seems to be the key for senior Ruth Gibson, freshman Terri Bridgewater, senior Rita Crain and freshman Christina Crumby. The vocal group practices for competition during first hour.





# STRIKE UP THE BAND

For 50 minutes a day 42 students got their chance to play their favorite pop songs and also practice for competition. For competition the band played "Centuria" and "El Capitan." The band practiced the selections off and on for two months before performing them at competition in Baxter Springs and Pittsburg.

"I really enjoyed playing 'Centuria,' but 'El Capitan' was kind of hard to understand and interpret," said Kelly Willey, senior. "After our first competition, the music seemed to get a lot easier

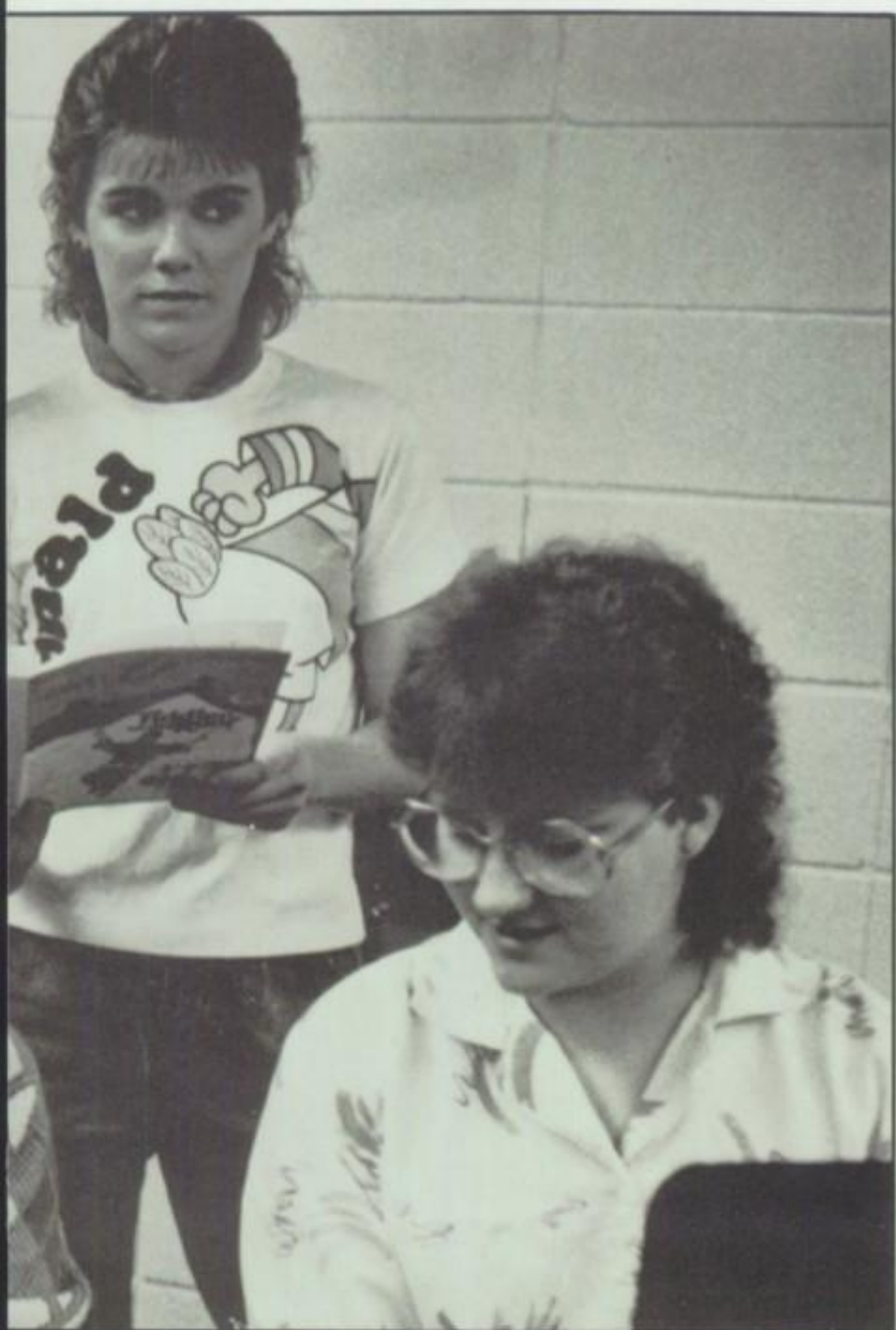
to understand."

"It takes a lot to be able to play as well as we did. All the work paid off when we received a one minus at Baxter. It was sort of a disappointment when we received a two at Pittsburg," said Lonnie West, freshman.

Players agreed that pop songs still were their favorite music to play.

"I didn't mind the concert music we played, but the pop music we played really got everyone going on Fridays," said Bridger Robinson, sophomore. "It's really more fun than what everyone thinks."

**BAND. Front Row:** Donnie Talent, John Barbieri, Jeff Pryor, Tom McDonald, Dana Davidson, Michele Henrie, Vicki Rhodes, Sandy Stewart, Luana Fleury. **Second Row:** Bridger Robinson, Greg Banks, Jodi Allen, Jeanette Clark, Aime Broyles, Jodi VanLeeuwen, Shaylon Bennett, Shana King, Jackie Toschi. **Third Row:** Kris Palmer, Tom Bertoncino, Kerrie Hopkins, Stacy Kunstel, Chris Bualle, Maurice Henrie, Barry Rasnic, Lonnie West. **Fourth Row:** Kelly Willey, Kathy Collins, Marc Schroeder, J.P. Totman, Pete Galindo, Randy Baca, Kenny Prettyman, Jeannie Hincey. **Back Row:** Lynetta Younge, Mary Ann Blessent, Nikki Carden, Sherri Giordano, Becky Banks, Amy Zerengast, Andrea Frye, Rita Crain.



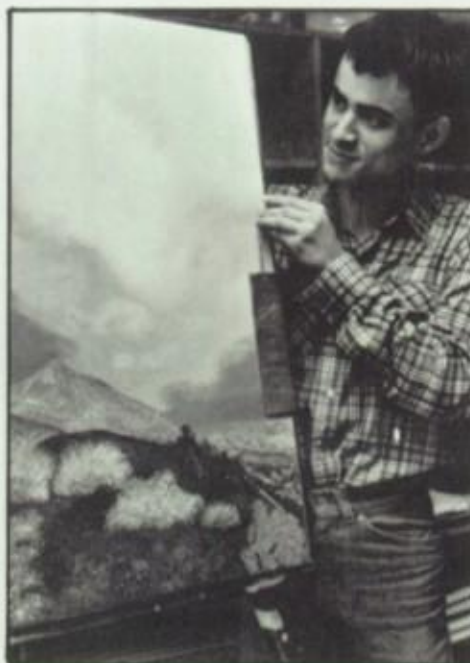
## And The Winners

Art exhibits seemed to transform the Girard High School gym into an art gallery as students from the Crawford-Neosho-Cherokee League exhibited projects they had made in art classes.

The art department received several ribbons from their entries. In the naturalistic line-drawing category, Doug Patterson, senior, took first place in modern, third place in people and an honorable mention in surrealism. Doug Tran, senior,

received a first in naturalistic medium in painting. Barry Rasnic, senior, received an honorable mention in surrealism-weirdo, and Buster Hoy, sophomore, received third place in the same division.

"I was really surprised when I received third place in surrealism-weirdo," said Hoy.



**ORIGINAL OIL.** Displaying his oil painting to his friends is senior Doug Tran. Tran received a first in naturalistic medium. Tran says the painting took him almost eight weeks to finish.



# IN *the* CHIPS

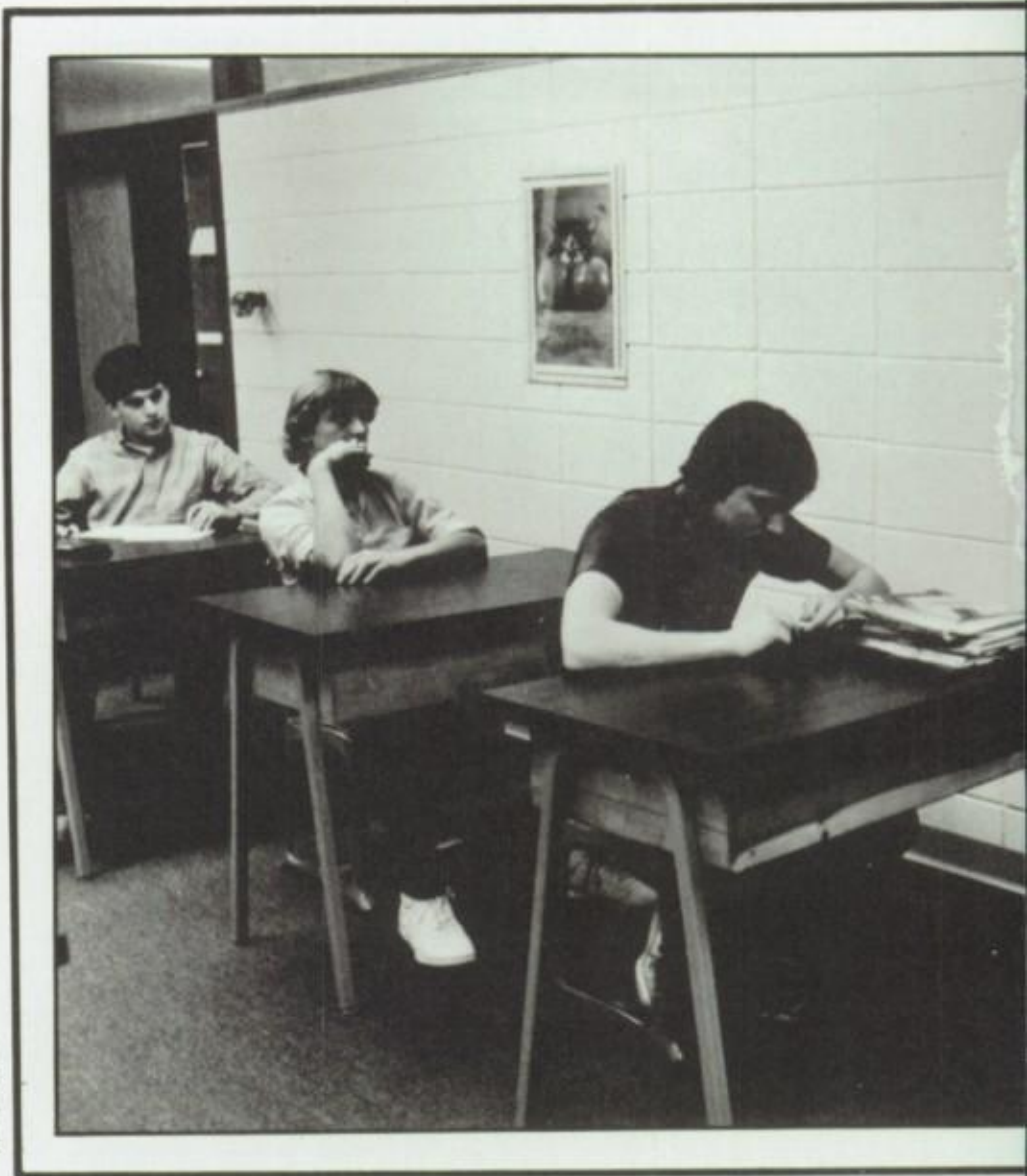
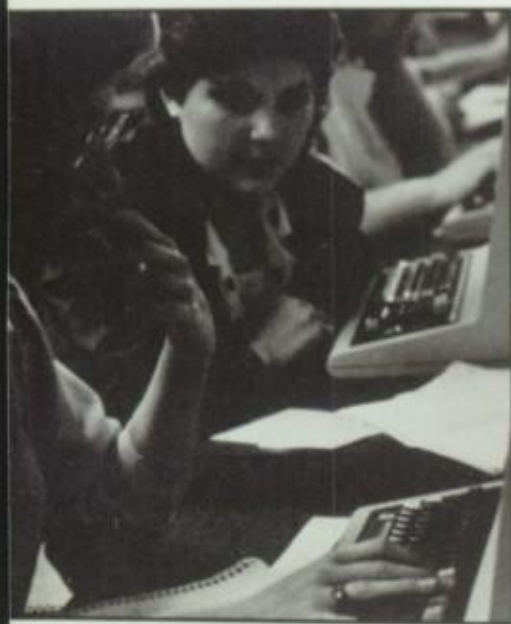
In these days of the computer world, the search for computer knowledge is a never-ending battle. As hard as it may be for high school students to learn to program the computer, now USD 246 offers a class for elementary and junior high students.

"We do programs that sort names and scores and that number as far as 5,000. Sometimes it takes up to a week just to write the program, let alone type it and de-bug it," said Tanja Buchanan, senior.

"I took the class because my parents bought me a Tandy 1000 computer with the stipulation that I take topics in math," said Buchanan.

"I feel this class will be beneficial because I'm going into the Army, and I think the programming will help with that," said Linda Wheeler, senior.

**COMPUTER MINDS.** As Linda Wheeler, senior, tries to get her Matrices program to run out in sixth-hour computer class, senior Cheryl McDowell watches her to get the general idea of her method.



## In Pursuit of 80

Eighty words a minute in shorthand was a class-wide goal for the four students enrolled in Mildred Leamon's class.

"Shorthand wasn't that hard because my older sister took the class a couple of years ago, and she taught me a lot," said Debbie Lenne, junior.

"Achieving 80 words per minute was a challenge, but I finally achieved my goal," said Linda Wheeler, senior.

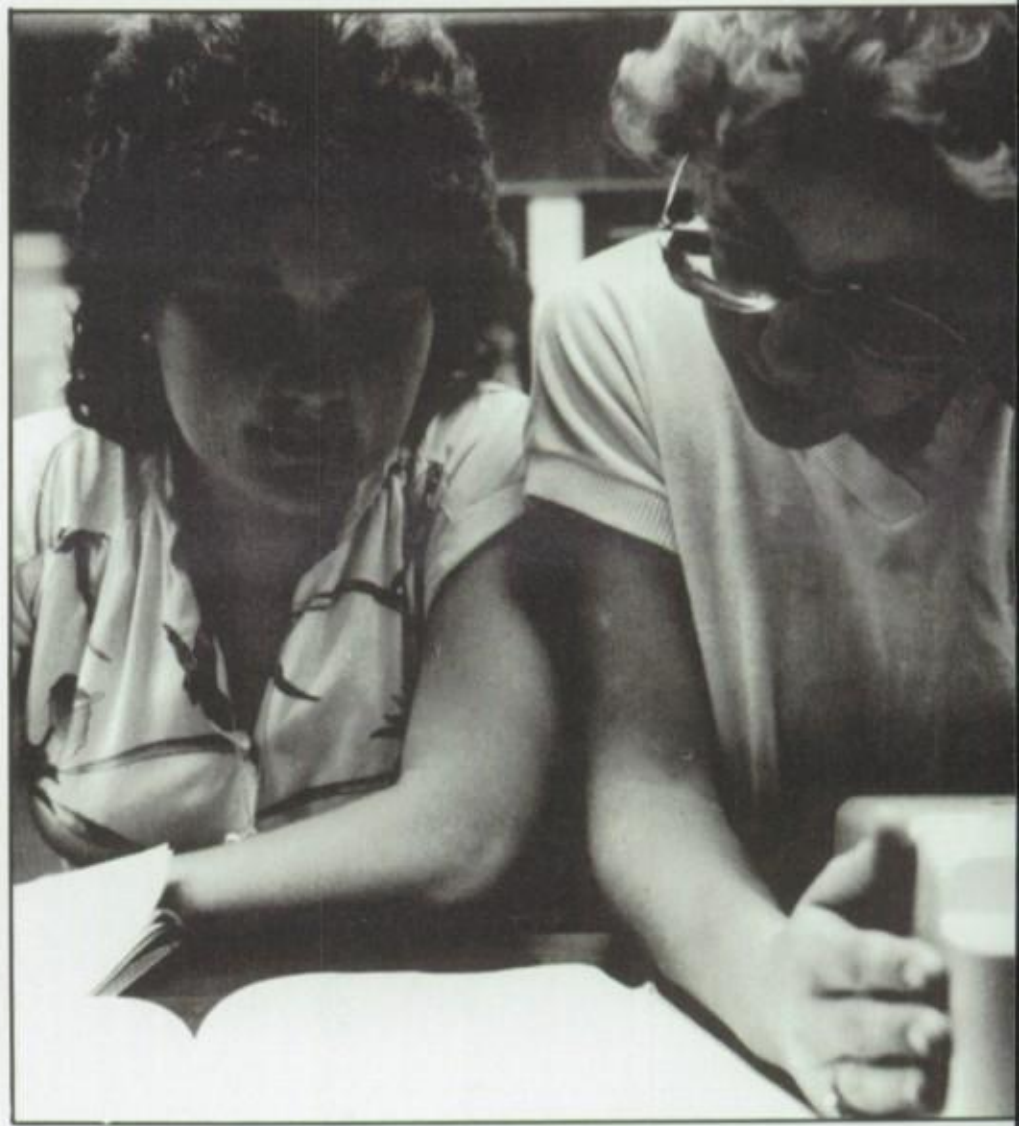
Tackling 10 pages a day wasn't really a problem, but the dictation-transcription tests were something to be dreaded.

"I am now able to read and transcribe shorthand into

longhand. I can read faster in shorthand than I could before," said Cheryl McDowell, senior.

"Shorthand opens the door to many office jobs, because many offices do not use dictaphones. The dictator often likes the idea of a stenographer who is able to fill in while he or she is trying to find the right word or sentence. Many employers depend on a secretary to correct the grammar that has been dictated," said Leamon, office procedure instructor.

**SHORT AND SWEET.** Reading lessons from their first-hour shorthand pad are seniors Cheryl McDowell and Linda Wheeler. They type both business and personal letters.





# market savvy

One-hundred-thousand-dollars for two high school kids to split. That's right! But the money was only pretend money. What they were doing with it was the real, serious part. Seventy-one teams of students from all over Kansas were competing with their money in a stock market game.

"Jimmy Giordano, head captain, does most of the work. He keeps the daily accounts and looks up the stocks everyday," said Elaine Blair, senior.

"We have had lots of support from our teachers; hopefully, we'll make it to one of the top 40 teams," said Giordano, senior.

"The primary purpose of the game is to provide an interesting and motivating device for learning about economics, financial markets and the stock market. The main objective of the stock market is to take an initial \$100,000, invest it in the market and try to make as much money as possible during a

predetermined period of time, usually ten weeks," said Joe Broyles, business instructor.

**TALKING IT OVER.** Insurance salesman Mike Eichten talks to sixth-hour salesmanship class members Jimmy Giordano, Randy Morsette, seniors, and Randy Baca, junior, about insurance sales.

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# FULL *speed* AHEAD

Piano lessons helped one student when she started typing, because of the hand-eye coordination involved in both skills.

"For me, typing was a little hard. I thought it would be a challenge; I've never typed before," said Jodi Van-Leeuwen, sophomore.

"Since the beginning of the year, I've improved tremendously. I can now type faster when I do time writings, and I've learned to eliminate my mistakes," said Shaylon Bennett, sophomore.

"By increasing my speed

and accuracy I've learned to type business letters, bound and unbound manuscripts and large and small envelopes," said Aime Broyles, sophomore.

"I learned how to type 58 words per minute and to pass timed writings to improve my speed. It's a lot easier once you know where the keys are," said Bennett.

**WRAPPING IT UP.** Assignments get longer as school days get shorter for sophomore Patty Bass. Bass types up a couple more business envelopes for a grade.





# Quivering Voices

Knees that knocked and voices that shook accompanied demonstration speeches for 51 English I students.

"I did my speech on how to make a submarine sandwich. I gave it right before lunch hour, and I was really popular with everyone. Everyone got to taste it except me," said Curtis Popejoy, freshman.

"I did my speech on how to make a pitcher of Kamikazes. I was a little nervous because I didn't know what I was going to say or do. I got a lot of good comments even though I had to bring water instead of the real thing," said Craig White, freshman.

"I did my demonstration

speech on how to clean a gun barrel. I brought just a barrel and used gun oil," said Cory Hallacy, freshman.

"I did my speech on how to light a carbide light. The only things I used were water and carbide. I was really nervous," said Craig Spencer, freshman.

"I have the freshmen do demonstration speeches so they will get some experience in speaking in front of others," said Barbara Crim, English teacher.

**FASHION AT YOUR FINGERTIPS.** For her demonstration speech, freshman Rozie Pickle shows how to manicure fingernails on classmate Mindy Willey. The speeches were required for English I.



*Head Games*

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## AFTER THE FACTS

Research topics in John Underwood's English IV class for college-bound seniors varied from athletics versus academics to surrogate mothers.

"I did my research paper over mandatory testing for the AIDS virus because I had heard so many things about it, and I wanted to learn what was true," said J.P. Totman, senior.

"I did my research paper over the Contras in Nicaragua. I chose it because the topic was interesting, and information about it was very accessible. I also chose this topic because it was a good one to write an argumentative paper on," said Kathy Collins, senior.

"I took English IV because a lot of people said it would help me in college, and learning how to write a research paper definitely will help me with all the writing I'll be do-

ing," said Totman.

"I really don't like writing research papers. I don't think anyone really does, but I know that being able to write an interesting and factual paper will help me in college. Mr. Underwood makes us write all kinds of papers, and now I feel much more competent and familiar with both the actual research and the writing of the paper," said Michele Henrie, senior.

"I hate research papers, but I need to get prepared for college and doing them is good practice for all of the writing I'll be doing in college. I'm really glad I decided to take the class," said Dana Davidson, senior.

**BOOKTALK.** Looking through their literature book are juniors Melissa Horton and Kelly Bean. The juniors studied literature along with regular English, but agreed they liked literature better because of the films they got to watch.





## GAMES PEOPLE PLAY

Answer: The numbers racket. Question: What is math jeopardy?

Algebra I and II students got a chance to find out exactly what math jeopardy was along with the chance to make extra credit points.

"We only got to play math jeopardy once before Christmas break. My team won and we all got about 150 extra credit points each," said Kristi Montanelli, junior.

"I thought the jeopardy game was really fun and at the same time I learned a lot about math. Mr. Yartz was very fair to our team, be-

cause even though we lost, we still got points. It helped my grade out a whole lot," said Greg Banks, sophomore.

"I liked playing jeopardy because it gave us all an equal chance to make some extra credit points and raise our grade," said Donnie Talent, sophomore.

"Playing math jeopardy was a lot of fun. We would divide into different teams and we'd line up in our chairs so that we'd be facing each other. Then whoever raised their hands first got the first chance at answering," said Callie Carrell, sophomore.

**AHEAD OF THE CLASS.** While playing math jeopardy for Algebra II, sophomore Aime Broyles helps her team acquire 720 extra points.



## Facing The grades

Speaking in front of others was a daily routine for the six students in sixth-hour speech class.

"I took speech so that I could learn how to speak out better in front of people and also so I could learn how to express myself better," said Bee Kime, senior.

Speeches were spiced up as the students dressed the part.

"We had to give a speech right before Halloween, so I dressed up as an old woman and read a story about Halloween and an old woman. After I finished, I handed candy out to my classmates," said Angela Reinier, sophomore.

"I really enjoyed the class, because you got to do neat things like dressing up for the speeches that we gave. I also liked the group discussions," said Amy Wilson, sophomore.

**SOMETHING'S BREWING.** A Halloween-inspired speech finds sophomore Amy Wilson dressing up as a witch to make her speech more realistic. Wilson read a story about a witch.





# Weird Science

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## DISECTING DOWNS

The smell of formaldehyde and the animal body parts were some factors that made students in general science say that dissecting was the most difficult part of the class.

"The most difficult part of class for me is dissecting, because I don't like to touch dead things. Also, when you cut them open, stuff squirts on you," said Jackie Toschi, freshman.

"The most difficult part of class is dissecting anything, especially the cow eyes," said Jodi Allen, freshman.

Experimenting proved to be the most interesting and favorite part of the class.

"The most interesting thing I've done this year is experimenting in Mr. Holden's room, because we got to work with Bunsen burners and other things," said Kerrie Goodwin, freshman.

"My favorite part of class is experimenting, even though some of my experiments don't work," said Toschi.

**BAD NEWS.** Observing the inside of a transformer at Arma's City Hall are John McDowell, sophomore, and Dale West, Kerrie Goodwin and Jodi Allen, freshmen.



## A Barking Experience

Students in Bill Holden's first-hour chemistry class found that hydrogen barks when a glowing splint is put to the mouth of a hydrogen-filled bottle. This experiment seemed to be most fun and interesting to students.

"The production of hydrogen seemed to be the most interesting experiment for students, because it allows them to produce a gas which will burn and they can see the results of the experiment clearly," said Holden.

**GENTLE TOUCH.** One of the requirements for chemistry class was to know how to bend glass for future experiments. Here Vicki Rhodes, junior, tries not to bend the glass too much.

"I liked making hydrogen. We had to put a glowing splint in a hydrogen-filled bottle and make it bark. It was really funny, because my partner Sherri and I were only supposed to use one bottle and save the other three. Instead, we used all four, because we liked to hear the barking sound. Needless to say, we got a two, out of four parts possible, on following instructions," said Kathy Collins, senior.

Bookwork seemed to be harder for students, but the most difficult to teach, according to Holden, was not mathematical chemistry.





## testy problems

For some students biology came easy, but for others it was not quite so easy. Students varied in their answers of what they thought was the most difficult part of class.

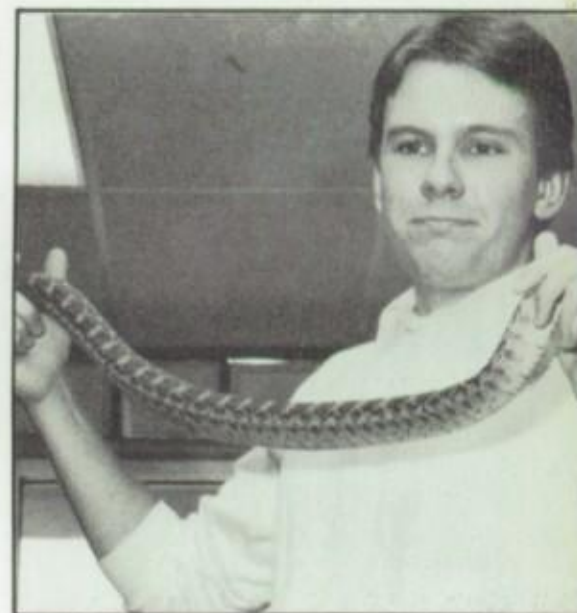
"Taking a test is the most difficult part of class, because I dislike studying for them," said Tom Bertoncino, sophomore.

"Dissecting is the most difficult, because the formaldehyde burns your eyes and nose," said Jodi VanLeeuwen, sophomore.

"The most difficult part is the tests. But really those are easy, too," said Aime Broyles, sophomore.

Almost all students agreed that dissecting was the most interesting thing, especially the frog, because they had to take the skin off, too.

**WILD THING.** Pittsburg State University student Brian Bigley lectures at area schools about the animals which the PSU Biology Department cares for. Here he shows the science class a bull snake.



## MASTER MINDS

What appealed to physics students seemed to be the experiments, but making a mousetrap car seemed to be most interesting.

"I like doing the experiments, because we get to learn firsthand about the different laws of physics," said Mike Schroeder, senior.

"I really liked making the mousetrap car the best, be-

**GET SET, GO!** After spending about three weeks on a mousetrap car made of any scraps available, Michele Henrie and Jimmy Giordano, seniors, race their cars. This is their first turnout of four.

cause we got to work individually, and when we were finished, we raced them," said Michele Henrie, senior.

"A project I've spent more time on this year is the mousetrap vehicle(MTV). I feel it deals with physics as well as inspiration and experimentation," said Jimmy Giordano, senior.

The most challenging part of the class seemed to be word problems and equations.

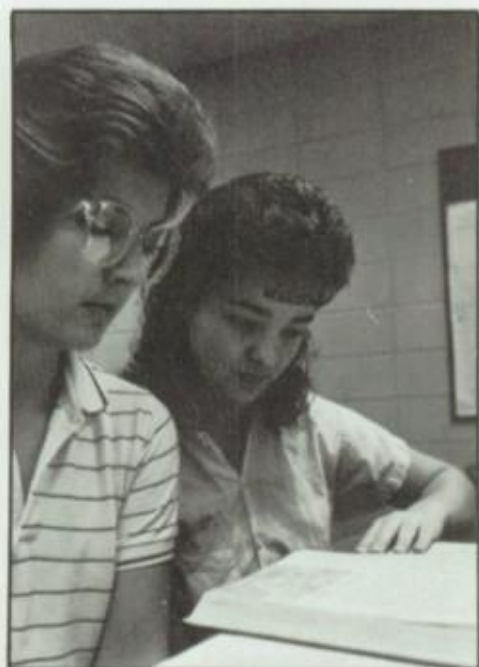
"The worst part is when we have word problems," said Henrie.



# SATISFACTIONS

World geography may not be the most enjoyable class, but students said they felt they got a lot from the class by being able to learn about other countries, other people and other lifestyles.

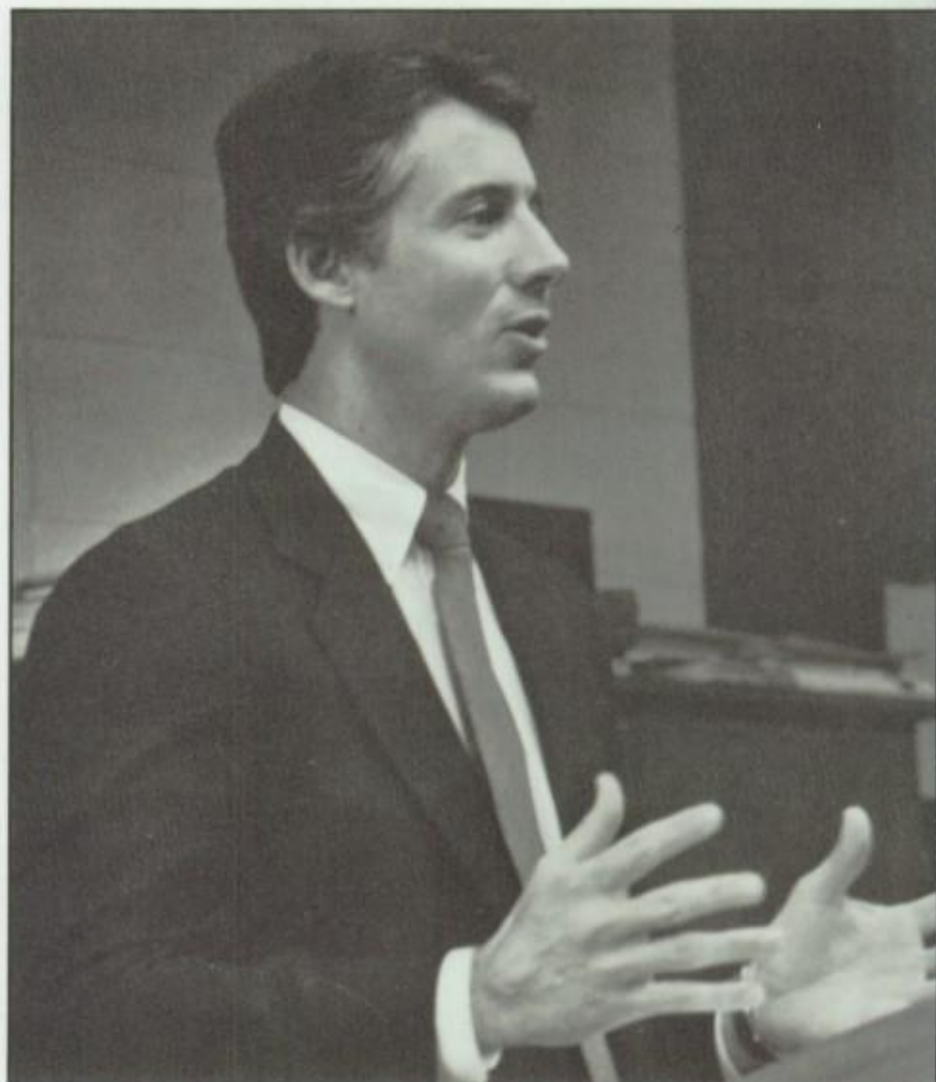
"The most interesting thing I learned from geography would probably be the study of different people and lifestyles in each country," said Kathy Collins, senior.



"The best part of geography, I feel, was finding out how other people live in other countries," said Lisa Swoger, junior.

"We learned a lot about people in other countries. We also learned what language other people speak and what their culture is like," said Elaine Blair, senior.

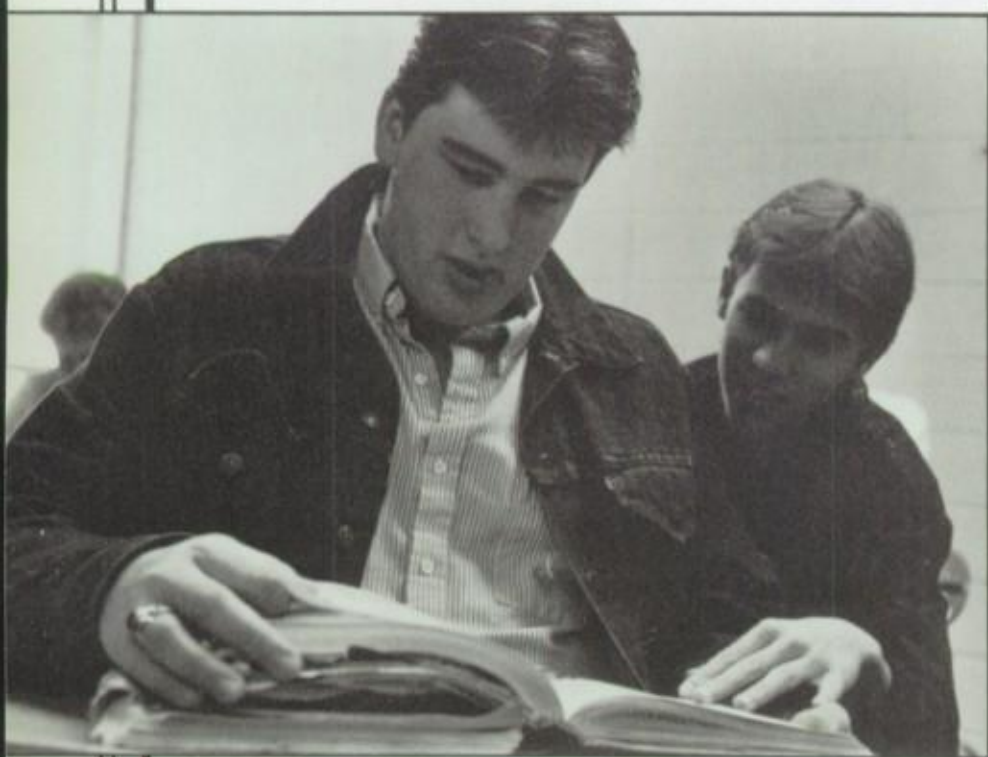
**A WHOLE NEW WORLD.** World geography students Elaine Blair, senior, and Lisa Swoger, junior, finish up a worksheet over South Asia. Both agree that it was a hard assignment.



**STUDY POINT.** The American Revolution, the French Revolution and the Glorious Revolution are what sophomores L.J. Dungan and Donnie Talent are reviewing in world history.



## Good Time Goody



Goofing off was the sophomores way to thoroughly enjoy first-hour world history class and to start the day out with a little bit of fun.

Everyone seemed to agree that students themselves were the best part of the class.

"The most enjoyable part of first-hour class is L.J. Dungan. He makes the class what it is by making us laugh," said Donnie Talent, sophomore.

"The best part of history class is when Tom Bert comes in late, and everyone hollers 'right on time.' Then

Mike knocks Tom's books on the floor, and they start tussling. Then L.J. is at the door pretending it is locked so when someone gets up to let him in, he opens the door and yells 'Pollock.' This same routine happens almost every day," said Maurice Henrie, sophomore.

"One of the best parts of world history, with no offense to Mr. Roberts, is when L.J. mocked him and yelled real loud so everyone could hear it all over school, 'Get Busy!'," said Tom Bertoncino, sophomore.



# Prime Timers

"Good morning!" the teacher said as he walked into the room while about six kids trampled him before the 8:06 tardy bell quit ringing.

"Maybe a good morning for you, but I'd rather be home in bed." This was the general reply from most of the students in first hour.

American History may not sound too fun at 8:06 in the morning, but all students said they realized significances in the past that could be useful for their presents and their futures.

"There are a lot of things we can learn about human mistakes to help us in the present and the future through history," said Mike Schroeder, senior.

"Learning about all of the different things that have happened in our history could help us from making the same mistakes twice and could help us make advancements in the future," said Kenny Prettyman, senior.

"I think learning about how people immigrated to the U.S. is interesting," said Mitzi Tims, senior.

**A REAL POLITICIAN.** Giving an explanation on how he campaigned for the Secretary of State seat is Bill Graves. Graves took Jack Brier's place in January and spoke to Alan Roberts' government class in April.

*Worlds Apart*

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# Best of Both

For juniors only. A junior class requirement was American Government, and without the credit in this class, students were not eligible to graduate their senior year. In spite of being a required class, American Government still seemed popular.

"Our projects that we did in government were fun and totally different from each other. Our first project was a mock election; our second was a mock trial; the third was a research paper; and our final project was a school

## MAKING THE INFLUENCE.

After using her study halls to campaign for the government mock election, Sandy Stewart, junior, says winning the election was worth the hard work.

survey to see how much the student body knew about government," said Nikki Carden, junior.

"I liked the trial, because I played the bailiff, and I didn't do anything but make people laugh when I swore them in," said Tom McDonald, junior.

"I liked the trial best, because the whole class had to get involved," said Todd Pyle, junior.

"I enjoyed the mock election, because the student body elected our party (KAN) over the other party," said Sandy Stewart, junior.

"I liked the trial most, because it was fun being on camera," said Pete Galindo, junior.



# hard facts

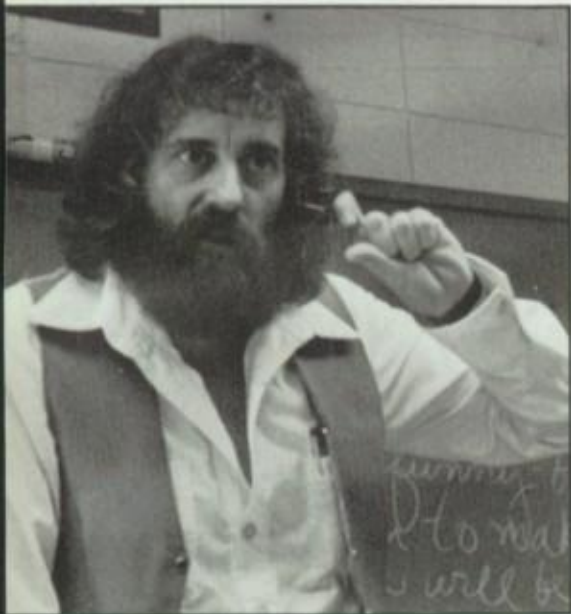
Mental retardation ranging from mild or moderate to severe and, at times, even profound, was the topic of discussion when Terry Collins, psychologist at Parson's State Training Center and Hospital in Parsons, was a guest speaker for Ken Clelland's psychology class.

The students said they found Collins helpful for their understanding of the things they were learning in psychology. Some said they may even use this information in a future career.

"I was particularly interested in what Mr. Collins told us, because I am thinking of studying psychology," said Lynetta Younge, junior.

"I better understood the things we had been learning from the textbook after hearing Mr. Collins talk about them," said Aaron Cronister, junior.

**SHOW AND TELL.** Guest speaker Terry Collins explains how much of a mentally handicapped person's brain actually functions. Collins spoke for Ken Clelland's psychology class.



## Break away for fun

Everybody loved to go on field trips, and the ten students in gifted education were no exception.

According to Clay Carrington, freshman, the gifted education class went on two trips, including a trip to Kansas City to Crown Center and to the Midwestern Research Institute. The second trip was to Tulsa, Oklahoma, where the students saw **The Nutcracker** at the Tulsa Ballet. Some even got to ice skate.

"Although I didn't really enjoy the long bus rides, it was worth the trip once we got there," said Sherri Giordano, junior. "Lou and I had fun trying to find our way around Crown Center in Kan-

sas City. I think we wore out the elevators just going up and down."

"My favorite part of the trips was when Sherri and I tried ice skating in Tulsa. It was the first time for both of us," said Luana Fleury, junior. "We also went to a real fancy restaurant to eat, and since it was close to Christmas, they had a live Santa Claus. Sherri and I got up our nerves to sit on his lap and he gave us each a candy cane."

**MOVE IT OR LOSE IT.** Chess is only one of the things done in gifted education. Gifted education facilitator Linda Knoll coaches Dale Hunkele, senior, and Curtis Popejoy, freshman.







# The Finer Points

Any stigma that ever surrounded those identified as gifted has dissolved.

"Since I was identified as gifted, other students have treated me the same because people always come to me for help," said Stacy Kunstel, freshman.

"Being in the program has not only given me advanced learning skills, but it's given me motivation to do things I wouldn't normally think about," said Curtis Popejoy, freshman.

"The greatest benefit of gifted education is being able to go to gifted classes and field trips where I am exposed to different things, not just the same old classes everyday," said Michele Henrie, senior.

"Being gifted only helps if you use your ability," said Mike Schroeder, senior. "It will only help as much as a person will let it."

Students' feelings on the term "gifted" were mixed.

"I don't mind the term," said Popejoy. "But it is often taken the wrong way."

**BRAIN BOGGLER.** The ICO Crystal game challenges the perception of Michele Henrie, senior, and Sherri Giordano and Luana Fleury, juniors. Giordano won the game.

"I don't really like being labeled gifted, because everyone is gifted in some way," said Luana Fleury, junior.

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## An Inside LOOK

Person-to-person relationships and how to deal with them drove students into psychology and sociology where they caught a glimmer of how to approach people both as individuals and as a group.

"I like sociology because it showed me how to treat and respect others," said Mary Ann Blessent, junior. "I now know there are different groups of people, all very different and interesting in their own ways."

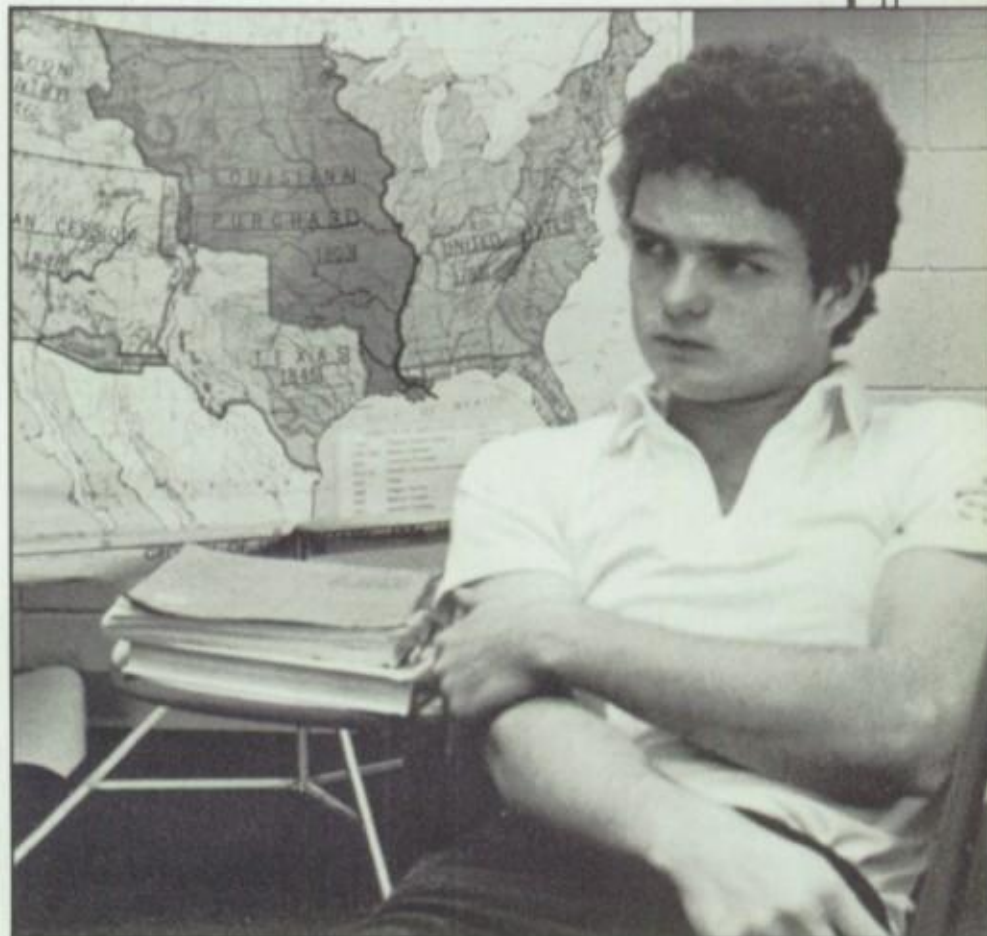
"I think that sociology will help me the most in the future because it helped me learn about groups of people

and how they interact with one another," said Sandy Stewart, junior.

"Psychology will help me to interpret and understand the events in my life," said Pete Galindo, junior.

Though the classes were similar, the students agreed they had many differences. "In psychology we study and take more notes," said Stewart.

**GETTING THE POINT.** Listening to guest speaker Terry Collins is Vester Lawson, junior. Lawson says that Collins gave interesting and shocking information to the class.





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xtra! Extra! Extra! Extracurricular activities caught center stage as the year progressed. Often, sports, clubs or special out-of-school activities were the things that got students through the year. All looked forward to special events such as dances, games or tournaments that made school a little more bearable.

## Everybody's Business

"I most look forward to spring sports. Track practices and meets give me a chance to get out of school and enjoy the nice weather," said Sherri Giordano, junior.

"Helping stuco with its different activities takes a lot of time, but it's something I like to do when I can," said Mike Schroeder, senior.

Students' favorites ranged from sporting events to club memberships, depending on the person and their interests.

"I enjoy volleyball because I like to play it. By traveling to different schools for games, I meet other people," said Cheryl McDowell, senior.

However, "extras" weren't always just fun and games. Someone had to worry—that someone was usually the faculty or administration.

"From a sponsor's standpoint, outside activities are a mixed blessing. They are really fun on the day of the activity, when things have gone well and the student body is excited and having fun," said Alan Roberts, student council sponsor.

**THE RIGHT CHOICE.** As they listen to Dick Powell, Josten's representative, Crystal Scholes, Melissa Wilson and Tammy Brooks, sophomores, try to decide which class ring they are going to buy.







**BOO!** Homecoming provided cheerleaders Jeannie Hencey, freshman; Jodi VanLeeuwen, sophomore; Andrea Frye, freshman; Shaylon Bennett, sophomore; Ruth Gibson, senior; and Aime Broyles, sophomore, a chance to raise spirit. Kerrie Hopkins, senior, helps with the skit.

**A SHARPNESS OF DETAIL.** Part of the job as mascot is to keep the crowd entertained. Angela Reinier, sophomore, is the first mascot at Northeast.



"On Halloween I dressed up in a gorilla suit to come to the game to build up the team's and the kids' spirits. I'll do anything to build spirit," said Leonard Hopkins, Booster Club President.



**PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT.** After practicing her trombone at school, Kathy Collins, senior, goes to Pittsburg State University to play for the marching band. Collins puts in about 20 hours a week practicing.







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**FINISHING TOUCHES.** One of the many student council projects is to decorate an eight-inch cookie for points during football homecoming spirit week. Three students from each class were chosen to decorate the cookie to the best of their ability. Greg Banks, Jodi VanLeeuwen and Aime Broyles, sophomores, finish up at the end of the 15-minute time limit. Kerrie Hopkins, senior, supervises.



**STUDENT COUNCIL.** Front Row: Luana Fleury, Mitzi Tims, Kerrie Hopkins, Dana Davidson, Jodi Goodman, treasurer; Amy Zerngast, Jodi VanLeeuwen, Tuan Tran. Second Row: Lynetta Younge, Mary Ann Blessent, Sherri Giordano, Michele Henrie, Nikki Carden, secretary; Kris Palmer, Vicki Rhodes, Jackie Toschi, Jodi Allen, Callie Carrell. Back Row: Sandy Stewart, Kathy Collins, Doug Patterson, vice-president; L.J. Dungan, Aaron Cronister, J.P. Totman, president; Maurice Henrie, Wayne Palmer, Tanja Buchanan.



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**IN FULL FORCE.** Decorating for the Touch of Class dinner is Jodi VanLeeuwen, sophomore. VanLeeuwen says the hardest part of decorating for Touch of Class is getting the tape to stick to the tables in the high school cafeteria.



# Trading

## Places Livens Up

### Activities

#### Money-making projects

were at the heart of every organization if it were to pursue activities or conventions.

"The money-maker we had this year was selling assorted items from a catalog. It could have been more successful! Some members really didn't have the 'selling fever.' The other was when students could buy chances on being principal for a day," said Jodi Goodman, senior.

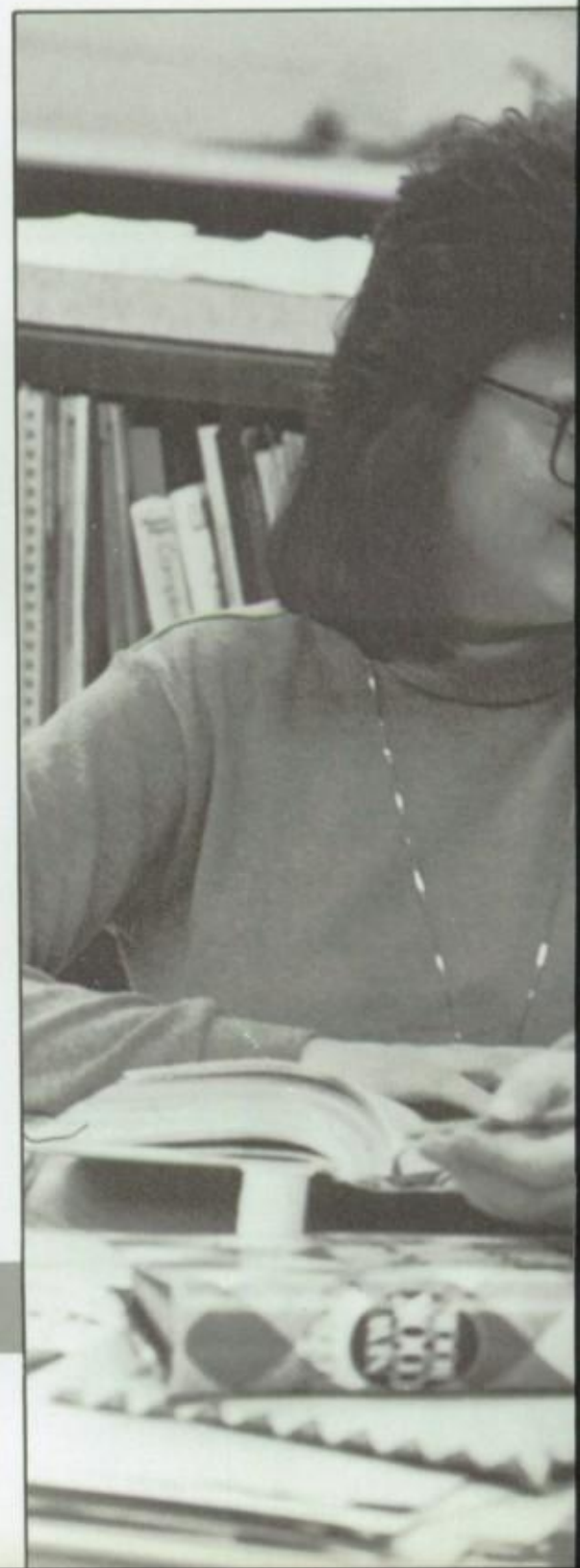
"One major money-maker in the fall was with QSP, from *Reader's Digest*, and one with the Valentine balloon sale, which broke even," said Myrta Kelderhouse, FHA sponsor.

The money-maker which the students seemed to like best was principal-for-a-day, which Tammy Brooks, sophomore, won. Brooks got out of one class, in which Marvin F. Bualle, principal, had to sit, and she in turn got to do some of his daily tasks.

"It gave them a chance to show off, and Mr. Bualle had to take their place in class," said Goodman.

"Some projects or get-togethers we had were a parent-teen evening called Games Parents Play, the Christmas dinner and the gift exchange," said Kelderhouse.

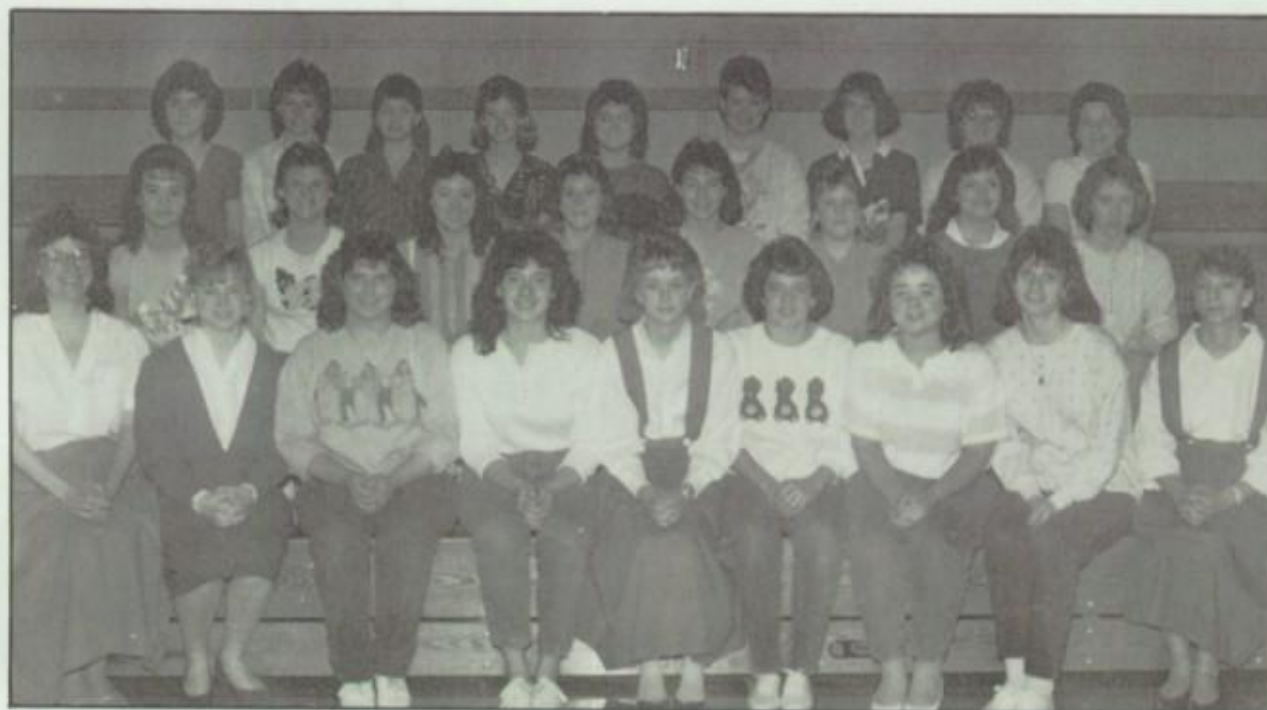
**ALL TIED UP.** Separating balloons so she can hand them out for Valentine's Day is Mitzi Tims, senior. FHA sold balloons for \$1 each. The balloons came in red, pink, white and clear.







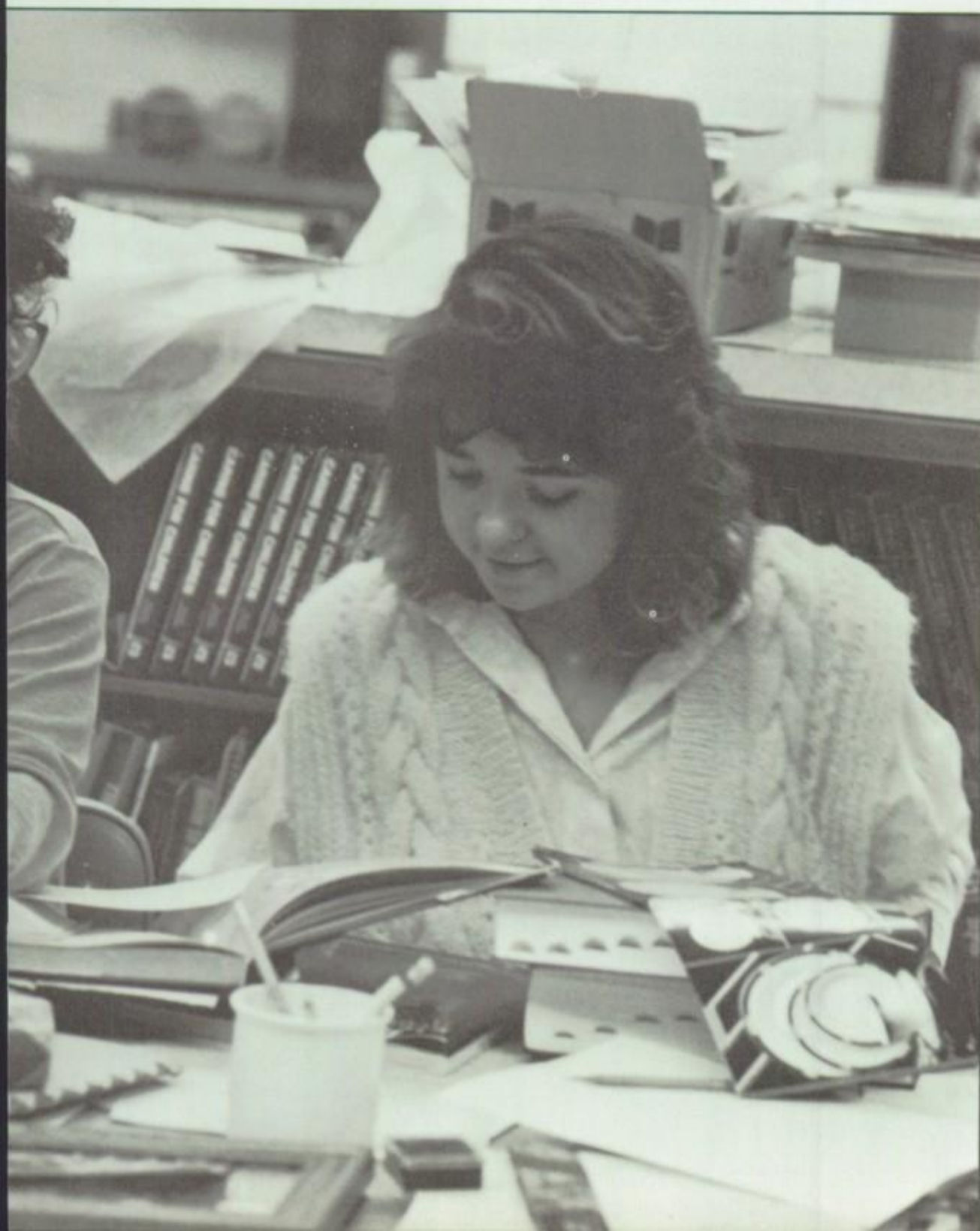
**MESSAGES WITH LOVE.** After all the balloons are separated, seniors Lisa Baldwin and Jodi Goodman put heart tags on each one. Students who bought balloons had a message put on them for Valentine's Day.



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*Front Row:* Myrta Kelderhouse, sponsor; Aime Broyles, Lisa Baldwin, president; Michele Henrie, Jodi VanLeeuwen, Kerrie Hopkins, Mitzi Tims, vice-president; Jodi Goodman, Shaylon Bennett. *Second Row:* Elaine Blair, Ruth Gibson, Barbie Hines, Kelly Willey, Dana Davidson, Mindy Willey, Shana King, Amy Zerngast. *Back Row:* Tracey Waterman, Jodi Allen, Jackie Toschi, Kelly Robertson, Lisa Pitts, Andrea Frye, Stacy Kunstel, Terri Bridgewater, Cheryl McDowell.

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**THE PERFECT ARRANGEMENT.** As Mitzi Tims, senior, looks for table setting ideas for competition day at Independence Community College, Myrta Kelderhouse, home ec teacher, gives her some pointers.



**HEAD'S UP!** Straining forward in order to catch a marshmallow is sophomore Bridger Robinson. Freshmen Craig White and Ott Kime watch as Robinson catches a total of six marshmallows.



## All In The Name Of Fun

**O**ne after another, green,

pink, white and yellow marshmallows went flying through the air. A gaping mouth lunged suddenly to catch the confectionery.

Games for football spirit homecoming were held daily four days running in the gymnasium during lunch, according to Alan Roberts, stuco sponsor.

"Stuco has held the spirit weeks for such a long time, it's become a tradition," said senior J.P. Totman, stuco president.

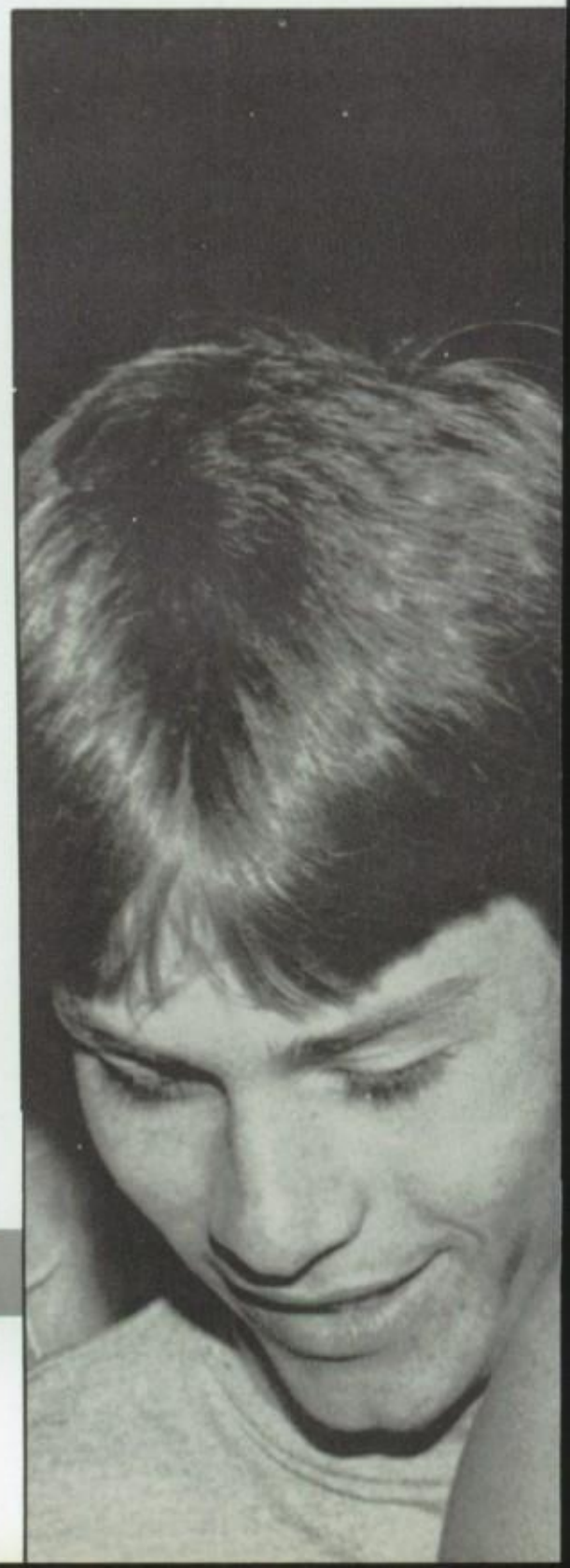
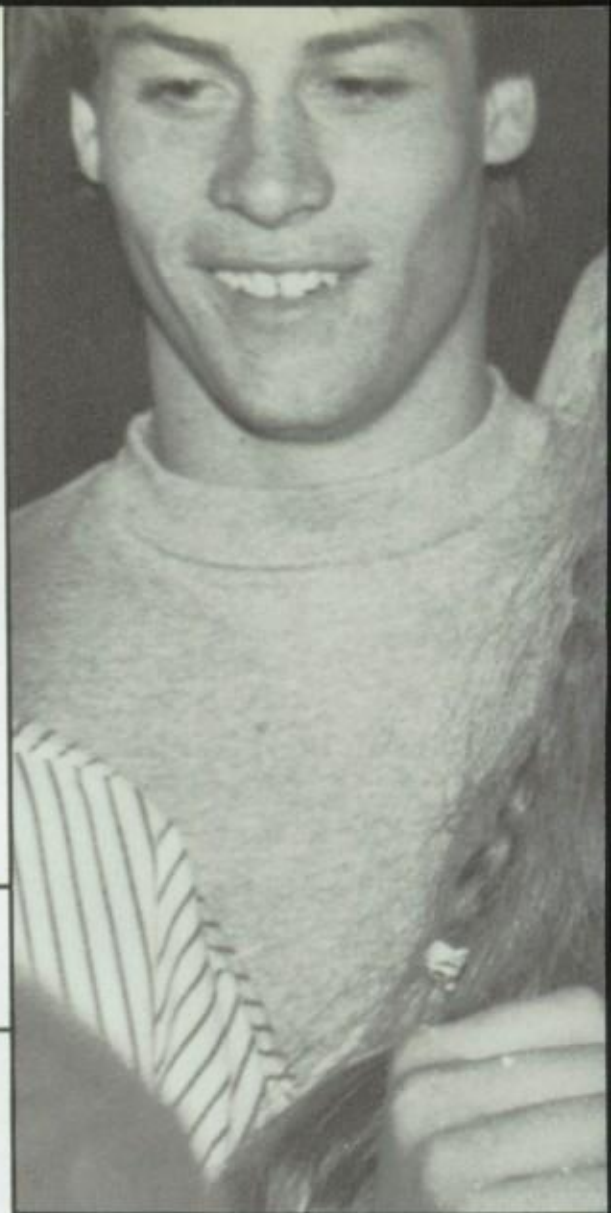
"Spirit week always seems to bring the classes and the school together," said junior Vicki Rhodes, about the wide range of games which included air ball and a cracker-whistling contest.

"Winning this spirit week just seemed to bring everything to a peak," said senior Paul Christman. "It made us all want to win against Riverton."

"Trying to whistle sounded like an easy feat—until they told us we had to eat a cracker first," said Terri Bridgewater, freshman.

"Winning again was an excellent feeling," said senior Cheryl McDowell. "Some of those games were hard to play though. I thought I would never catch a marshmallow in the air. Everyone looked so ridiculous trying!"

**FRIENDLY ASSISTANCE.** Trying to get the ball around a circle is junior Lynetta Younge. Younge, who is dressed for punk day, says her chains and necklaces keep knocking the ball out of bounds. Senior Rita Crain helps to keep Younge's long hair out of the way as Younge tries to follow the line. Juniors lost the event by only earning two points.







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**PUCKER POWER.** Whistling a tune in the cracker-eating contest is senior Rita Crain. Senior Marc Schroeder awaits his turn in line while senior Doug Patterson helps to judge the event.



**THE TASTE OF SUCCESS.** Tensely waiting for the word "Go!" during the egg find are freshman Eric Redfern and senior Dale Hunkele. Juniors Kris Palmer, Sherri Giordano and Lynetta Younge observe.

**NAME THAT TUNE.** After eating a cracker, senior Paul Christman tries to whistle so classmates Marc Schroeder and Dale Hunkele can have their turns. Seniors won with a total of 10 points.





**READY TO GO.** Homecoming queen candidates Melissa Wilson, sophomore; Barbie Hines, senior; and Becky Banks, freshman, consider cruising to Pittsburg in their waiting limo, but then decide against it.

**OLD HAT.** At attention for the half-time homecoming performance, senior Kathy Collins awaits her cue to play. Collins also participates in the Pittsburg State University marching band.



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# Night Like No Other

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## nees shook, stomachs

fluttered as the four homecoming queen candidates and their escorts stood in center field waiting.

"I was so nervous that I was shaking," said Sherri Giordano, junior. "Troy kept talking to me, trying to calm me down."

Light-hearted banter floated around the candidates as the tension mounted.

"I told Sherri I would trip her," said Troy Evans, senior escort. "We joked around about her being queen and making a fool out of me if she tripped and fell."

"I remember how nervous everyone was. We were trying to convince Mr. Roberts to take us to Pittsburg instead of on the field," said Barbie Hines, senior candidate.

Alan Roberts, stucco sponsor, drove a white Cadillac limousine on loan from Bedene's Funeral Home.

"Losing to Riverton by three points was frustrating," said Paul Christman, senior. "But, it was an honor to be chosen as an escort."

**THE CROWNING POINT.** Twelve red roses, a football signed by 30 football boys and the sound of "Northstar" provide the background as junior Sherri Giordano, queen, and senior Troy Evans, king, catch their breath.



**THE SPIRIT SCENE.** Raising spirit for the upcoming game is senior Dana Davidson. Students and fans help to make noise by beating on drums, shaking pom-poms or just yelling. Supporters formed a run-through area for players before kick-off.

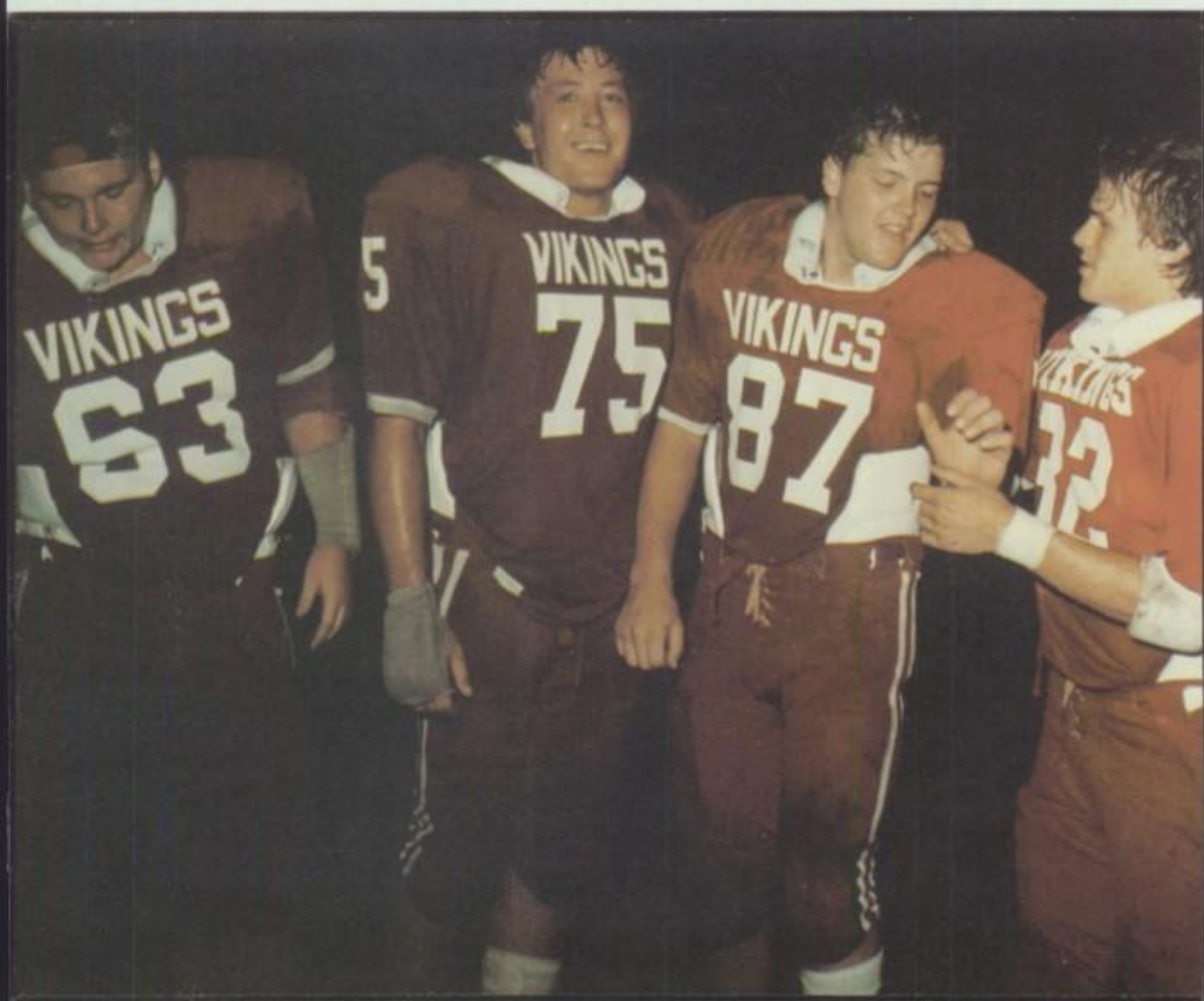






**BREAKING AWAY.** Seniors Troy Evans, Doug Patterson and J.P. Totman lead the team through 20 feet of criss-crossed streamers before the homecoming game against Riverton. Vikings lost to Riverton 19-22.

**SHAKE ON IT.** Senior escorts Barry Rasnic and Troy Evans await the halftime coronation while Paul Christman and Doug Patterson exchange congratulations for a good first half. Patterson had a total of 515 yards at the end of the season.



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**JUST WHEELING AROUND.** Sophomores Aime Broyles and Jodi VanLeeuwen practice a cartwheel before basketball cheerleading tryouts. Both were chosen for the squad.

# Break Away From The Ordinary

## C hanges in cheerleading

were a big deal because there were so many of them, said Linda Roberts, cheerleading sponsor.

"We really changed the whole system when we abolished pep club and concentrated totally on cheerleading squads," said Roberts.

The greatest change was the switch from varsity and junior varsity cheerleading to football and basketball cheerleaders, said Myrta Kelderhouse, co-sponsor.

Instead of having the same squad for both seasons, a new squad was chosen in the fall for the basketball season. This squad followed the new constitution and consisted of girls who weren't playing basketball, said Kelderhouse.

"We're happy that this will offer more opportunities for students to become involved in cheerleading," said Roberts.

The basketball cheerleaders missed out on fundraising and a summer camp in Emporia which was mandatory for the football cheerleading squad.

"Camp has really improved us," said Shaylon Bennett, sophomore. "We are well organized."

**TWIST AND SHOUT.** Two-year varsity cheerleader Michele Henrie, senior, performs her favorite routine at the pep assembly. The cheerleaders practice 12 to 15 hours on the routine and agreed it was the hardest to learn.







**STAKE OUT.** Kerrie Hopkins, senior, shows Mitzi Tims, senior, the spirit stick their class won for cheering the loudest in the weekly competition. The seniors were undefeated in the competitions.



**STAR QUALITY.** Dancing at the pep assembly to the song "Twist My Arm" by the Pointer Sisters is senior Dana Davidson. The cheerleaders learned the routine at summer camp at Emporia.

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**LIVEN UP.** Kelly Robertson, freshman, cheers to "Vikings Rule" at a Friday night football game. This is her first year as a high school football cheerleader.



**PERFORMANCE COUNTS.** Dana Davidson, senior; Shaylon Bennett, sophomore; Kerrie Hopkins, senior; Kelly Robertson, freshman; and Michele Henrie, senior, cheer to "Color Shout" at a pep assembly before a home game.



**STICKY BUSINESS.** J.P. Totman, senior, throws a pie at freshman cheerleader, Kelly Robertson, after his class wins the yell contest.

**GLORY BOUND.** As Maurice Henrie, sophomore, slurps a bottle of Barq's rootbeer for the beer-drinking contest, Dana Davidson, senior, holds the bottle.



**SISTERLY ACT.** Kristan Palmer, junior, congratulates her brother Wayne Palmer, freshman, for his winning first place in the beer-drinking contest.

## Competitors

### Meet Your Matches

**'O**n your mark! Get set!

GO!" were the words the four players from each team heard as they fidgeted at the starting line for the class relay.

The class relay consisted of chewing a piece of gum, unrolling a roll of toilet paper, putting a bat on the forehead and going around it ten times.

"The class relay was our best game. Marc did so well in coming from behind to win," said J.P. Totman, senior. Totman was referring to classmate Marc Schroeder, who won the event for the seniors.

Even the classes that didn't win said they enjoyed the football spirit competition held from 12:30 until 3 on homecoming day, October 18.

"We had a good time. We did not win much, but we gave it our best in every event," said Maurice Henrie, sophomore.

"I think the improvement in involvement over the two previous years from our class was the best that we did. When other classes saw our class getting involved, they did the same," said Lynetta Younge, junior.

"There was more participation this year. I think a lot of it was having an enthusiastic group of seniors. The competition between the senior and freshmen classes was terrific," said Alan Roberts, student council sponsor.

**FEELING IS BELIEVING.** All hyped up as she watches her classmate Pete Galindo, junior, participate in the egg find, Lynetta Younge cheers him on. Younge's cheers helped Galindo to a third-place finish and boosted the juniors overall score to 131 points.







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**STRENGTH IN NUMBERS.** Sophomores Michael Waterman and Robbie Stewart lead classmates Tom Bertoncino, L.J. Dungan, David Lawson, Bridger Robinson and Warren Rhodes to a high-five for Stewart's egg-find win.

**YELL CONTEST.** Seniors Tanja Buchanan, Mitzi Tims, Elaine Blair, Ruth Gibson, Doug Tran, Troy Evans, Rita Crain, Kenny Prettyman and Jimmy Giordano cheer for their class. The seniors won overall on competition day with 188 points.







**A REAL SCORCHER.** To combat a smart quip from her boyfriend, senior Michele Henrie gets intense so that Doug Patterson, senior, won't win the argument.

## In Support Of Excellence

**J**ust ordinary people got

incredible spirit for football homecoming by creating costumes made of everything from posterboard to plastic trash bags.

Dress-up days stimulated imaginations to come up with a pair of Siamese twins crammed into one pair of sweat pants and burgundy and white facial make-up in every imaginable pattern.

"Dressing up raised spirit by letting people express inner feelings, and it showed they were not embarrassed or afraid to support their school," said Jeffery Locke, student teacher in art.

"Usually on game days all the football players are nervous. But by people dressing up, it helped relieve the tension," said Jeff Pryor, junior.

Dress-up days varied for five days, including Halloween Day, Punk Day, Celebrity Day, Twin Day and Burgundy and White Day.

"Celebrity Day was the best dress-up day. There were quite a lot of costumes, and it was fun trying to tell what celebrity people were trying to resemble," said Pryor.

The days were selected and sponsored by student council.

"The best thing about dressing up was how it broke the monotony of everyday school activities and how it let you do whatever you wanted," said Craig White, freshman.

**ALL FIRED UP.** Sparked by football homecoming, Marc Schroeder, senior, says he painted his face burgundy and white to show his spirit for the homecoming game.







**GEARED FOR THE CHALLENGE.** After taking third place in the Punk Day judging contest, Bee Kime, senior, congratulates classmate Troy Evans, who received first place for his costume. Maurice Henrie, sophomore, is one of the crowd.

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**ENDANGERED TRADITION.** Goofing around at lunch hour is a daily routine for sophomore boys, says Buster Hoy. Hoy and Maurice Henrie both blame the other for starting the rough housing.

**OUR LOOK IS NEW.** Waiting to be judged on their costumes for Burgundy and White Day are Kris Palmer, junior, second-place winner, and J.P. Totman, senior, third-place winner.





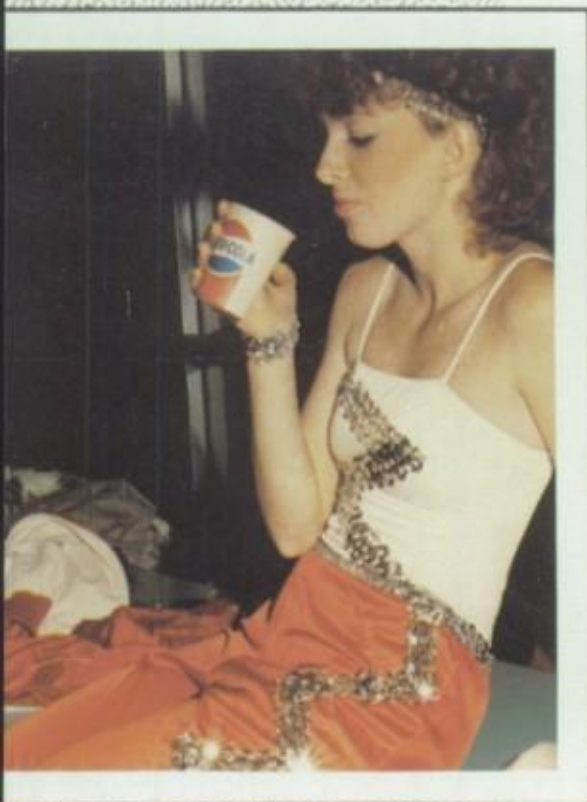
**PERSON TO PERSON.** When student council decided to have a Halloween dance, juniors Vester Lawson, Sandy Stewart and freshman Curtis Popejoy say they started asking relatives for costumes and ideas.

**OUR QUALITY SHOWS.** After taking first place in the best costume contest, Jackie Toschi and Eric Redfern, freshmen, take a time out from dancing for refreshments.

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**BEAT THE HEAT.** After kicking her heels up on the dance floor, junior Vicki Rhodes takes a break from the action to enjoy some refreshments.

**HERE THEY GO AGAIN.** Struttin' their stuff to Jermaine Stewart's "We Don't Have To Take Our Clothes Off" are juniors Lynetta Younge, Kris Palmer and Nikki Carden.

# Funny Faces Dance Fandango



## F armer Ted sat like a bumpkin in

his overalls on a bench in the commons area on November 1 before the stuco Halloween Dance.

Farmer Ted was unusually quiet. He sat staring blankly at two human-sized bees. The bees were even more bashful than Farmer Ted when it came time to tie on their buzzers.

"I really liked the Halloween Dance. I think everyone really had a fun time," said Eric Redfern, freshman. "I enjoyed watching everyone dance all dressed up."

"We got the idea for the bees from my mom," said Jackie Toschi, freshman. "Jeanette Simon made the costumes and did a really nice job."

"I think the Halloween Dance was a really good idea! The dance was a little slow in getting started, but once more people showed up—things got better. I really enjoyed getting dressed up for the dance, even though it was a last-minute, put-together costume," said Michele Henrie, senior.

"I think for the amount of people that showed up, there was a lot of enthusiasm and a lot of involvement," said Lynetta Younge, junior.

Even Teen Wolf showed up in the crowd of 50 students.

**DIFFERENT STROKES FOR DIFFERENT FOLKS.** Costumes at the Halloween dance varied from borrowed clown suits to costumes made at home. Watching the costume judging are freshmen Tracey Waterman, Lisa Pitts and Andrea Frye.



**HOLD EVERYTHING!** Whenever sophomore Melissa Wilson needs a costume idea, she turns to movie favorites such as *Teen Wolf*. Wilson used her cousin's basketball uniform to finish the costume.





**REAL ATTENTION GETTER.** Band director Larry Hill prepares the band to play by holding up his arms and saying, "One, two, ready, play."

**BLARE IN THE AIR.** "United Nations" is being played in front of the judges' stand at the Pittsburg parade. Tom Bertoncino, sophomore, leads the band.



# Band Marches To Different Drummer



## N o tests, no homework

were only the frosting on the cake. Band had other pluses too.

Performing in concert appealed to many band members, even more than marching.

"I enjoy concert band the most," said Aime Broyles, sophomore, "mainly because there is a bigger variety of music."

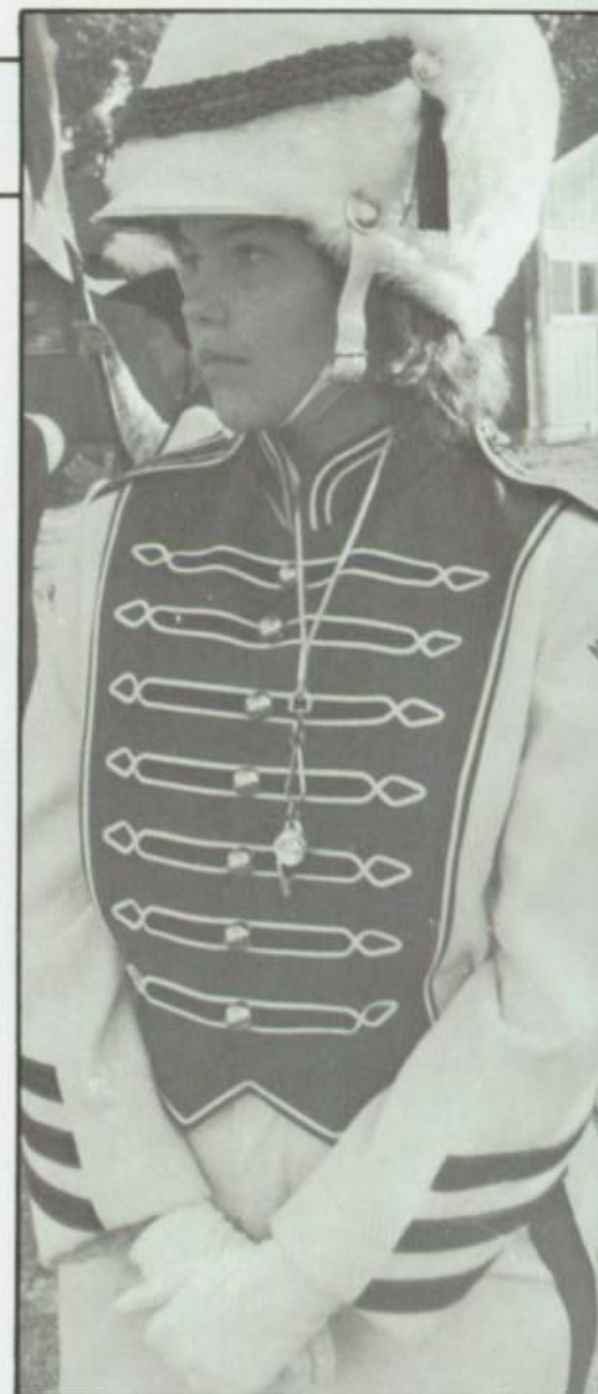
"It is hard to say which I like the most, but I probably like concert band best because it is based more on how we play, and we get out of school for it," said Jeanette Clark, freshman.

"I enjoy concert more because the music is more mellow and has more dynamics," said Marc Schroeder, senior. "I also would rather get out of school than go on a weekend like we do for parades."

"I enjoy concert band the most because the parades are long and tiring," said Sandy Stewart, junior.

Actually, the band's only test was the Pittsburg State Homecoming Parade, which was the only parade the band participated in after the Pioneer Harvest Days event in Fort Scott was cancelled because of flooding.

**HATS OFF.** Maurice Henrie, sophomore, and Jeff Pryor, junior, discuss the Pittsburg State University football game that is to be played after the parade. The band received free tickets to the game for participating in the parade.



**LEADER OF THE BAND.** While watching the other bands practice, Jeanette Clark, freshman, thinks through her upcoming duties as majorette. Clark was a majorette for two years in junior high.







**THESE BOOTS WERE MADE FOR MARCHING.** Mary Ann Blessent, junior; Becky Banks, freshman; Rita Crain, senior; Lynetta Younge and Nikki Carden, juniors; Andrea Frye, freshman; and Sherri Giordano, junior, concentrate on their flag routine as they march down Broadway in the Pittsburg State University Homecoming Parade.



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**A LITTLE R AND R.** Kris Palmer, junior, imitates her favorite comedian, Eddie Murphy, while relaxing after the Pittsburg State University Homecoming Parade.

**EVERY STEP OF THE WAY.** Sandy Stewart, junior; Maurice Henrie, sophomore; Marc Schroeder, senior; Jeff Pryor, junior; and Kathy Collins, senior, maintain straight lines at Pittsburg.

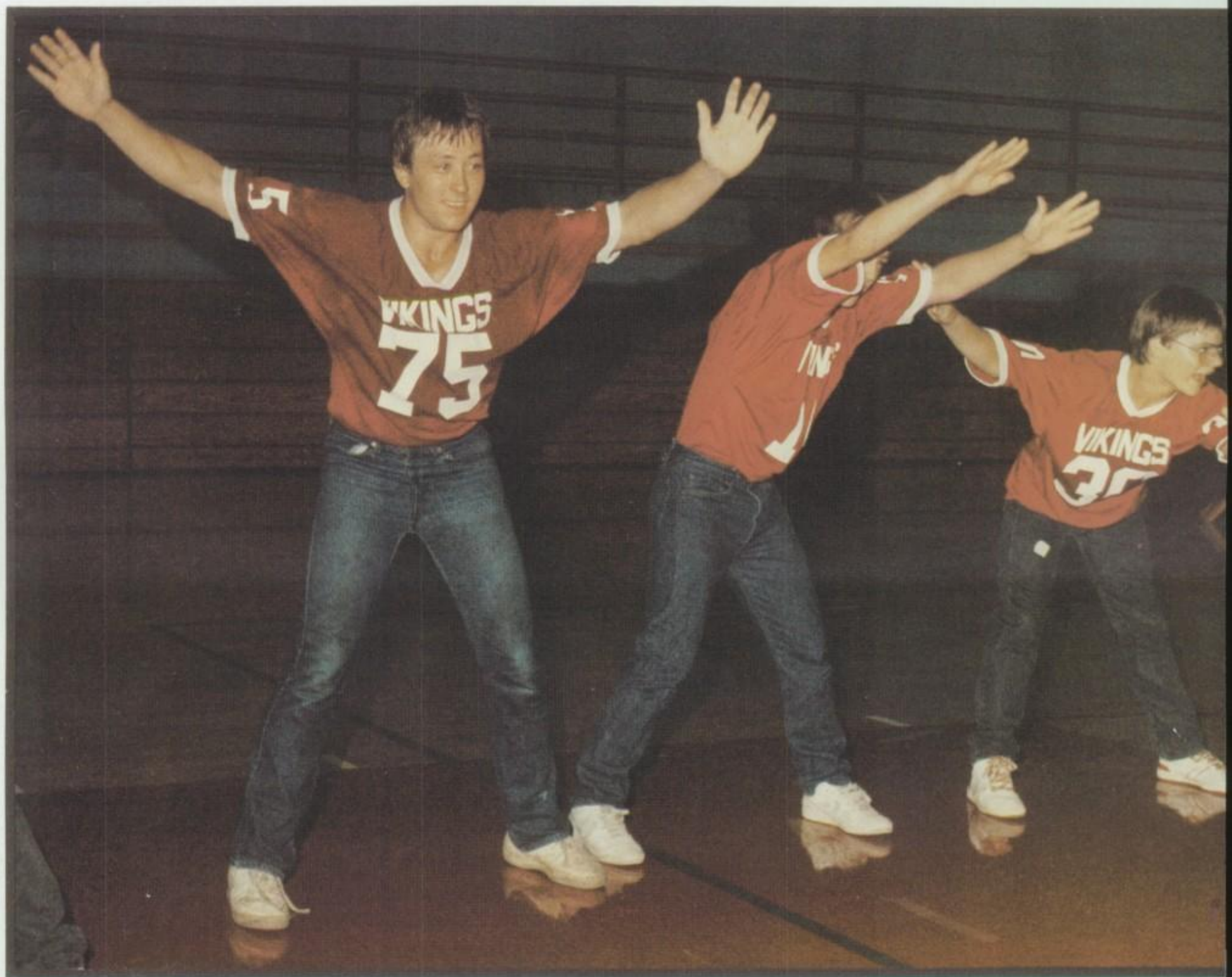




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**YEAH MAN.** Hands up, Robbie Stewart, sophomore, signals his victory in the egg find to his friends on the front row. Stewart's win boosted the sophomores total points closer to the seniors, who led the competition day and eventually won it.

**TO EACH HIS OWN.** Making their debut as line dancers at the pep assembly on Friday are Troy Evans, senior, and Chad Wickham and Wayne Palmer, freshmen. Although they practiced for a week, these football players, along with five others, couldn't synchronize.







**FUNNY FACE.** Seated in the crowd, sophomore Michael Waterman watches the pie-eating contest as his classmate David Lawson comes in last. Waterman and his friends spent the afternoon engaged in friendly harassment of the contestants.

# Spirit Colors School's Image



**BACK TO THE BOTTLE.** Face to face, J.P. Totman, senior, encourages friend and classmate Marc Schroeder to a second-place finish in the beer-drinking contest during football homecoming week.

**B**rightly painted faces and hair, both

in burgundy and white, dominated the hallway scene during football homecoming week and on game days.

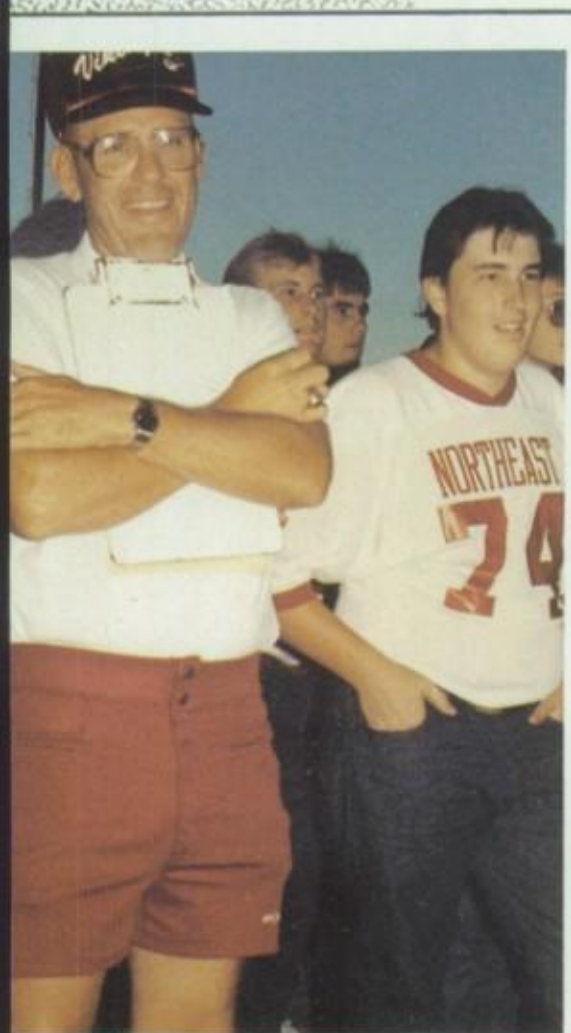
Students clad in complete burgundy and white outfits showed up everywhere from the school lunchroom to the bleachers at ballgames.

"Molly Davidson painted my face for me on Burgundy and White Day," said Paul Christman, senior. "I painted it because it was our homecoming game, and we were going for our second win of the season."

"I painted my face myself on Burgundy and White Day to raise spirit for our team," said Bud Sherman, junior. "I think it raised their spirit because when the football players see our school colors, it makes them proud and want to try harder to win."

Painted faces and hair weren't the only ways to show school spirit. A majority of the school wore burgundy and white clothes every day.

"I own a sweater, slacks, shirts, socks, a jacket and a hat that are burgundy and white. I wear these mostly on game days," said Alan Roberts, student council sponsor. "I like to see everyone wearing burgundy and white every game day and not just during homecoming week."



**TANDING TALL.** After introducing the football team and talking of the upcoming season at Meet-the-team Night, head football coach Bill Arman laughs at a remark made by player L.J.ungan, sophomore.



**IT'S MY STYLE.** While preparing for the judging of Viking Dress-up Day, sophomore Angela Reinier talks to her classmates. Reinier received first place and the right to cheer at the homecoming game for the home-made costume.



**A REAL JEWEL.** Melissa Wilson, sophomore and Vicki Rhodes, junior, try to select the perfect stone color and ring size. Wilson and Rhodes received help from Dick Powell, a Josten's jewelry representative.



## Special Orders Spice Up Memories

**'S**pend your money wisely'

were the words sophomores and seniors heard while ordering class rings, announcements, memory books and senior class keys.

"Ordering announcements made me remember how soon graduation will be," said Michele Henrie, senior.

"I had to pay for my own announcements; it left a big debt in my checking account," said Henrie.

"My mom and dad paid for all of my announcements, name cards, memory book and class key. Everything altogether came to \$63.86," said Mitzi Tims, senior.

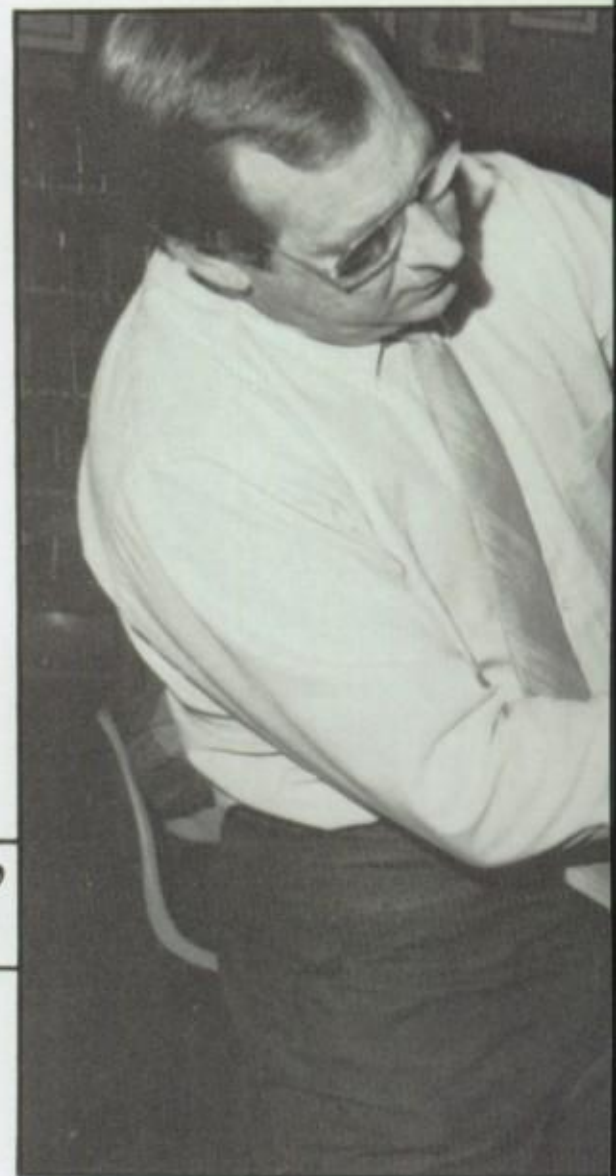
"I'm anxious about receiving my announcements so I can start sending them out and show my family and relatives what I've achieved in school," said Rita Crain, senior.

"I think it is important to have a class ring through your high school years because it's a symbol of the memories and friends you make in high school," said Vicki Rhodes, junior.

"My parents paid about \$25 for their class rings, nothing compared to what I paid," said Jodi VanLeeuwen, sophomore.

"I don't feel it was very difficult picking out a class ring. I already picked out what I wanted, but it took awhile to choose the right one," said Greg Banks, sophomore.

**GO WITH GOLD.** Tammy Brooks, Donnie Talent, Maurice Henrie and John Barbieri, sophomores, compare class rings to those their friends are ordering from the Josten's representative's show case in the library.







**IT'S YOUR TURN.** Assisting Josten's jewelry representative Dick Powell in measuring senior Kathy Collins' head for mortarboards are business instructor Mildred Leamon and senior Rita Crain.

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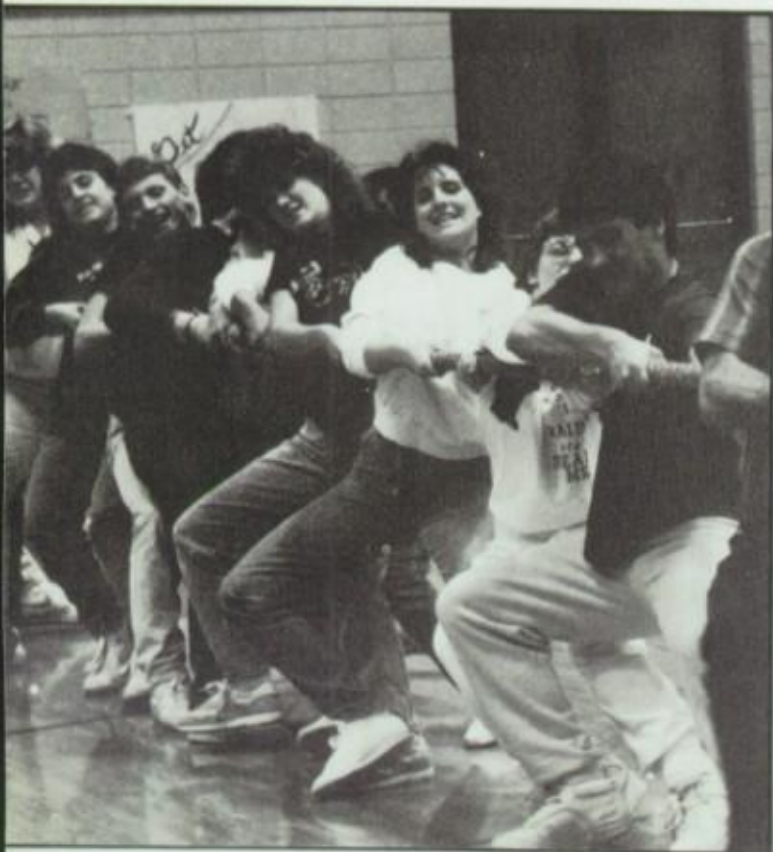
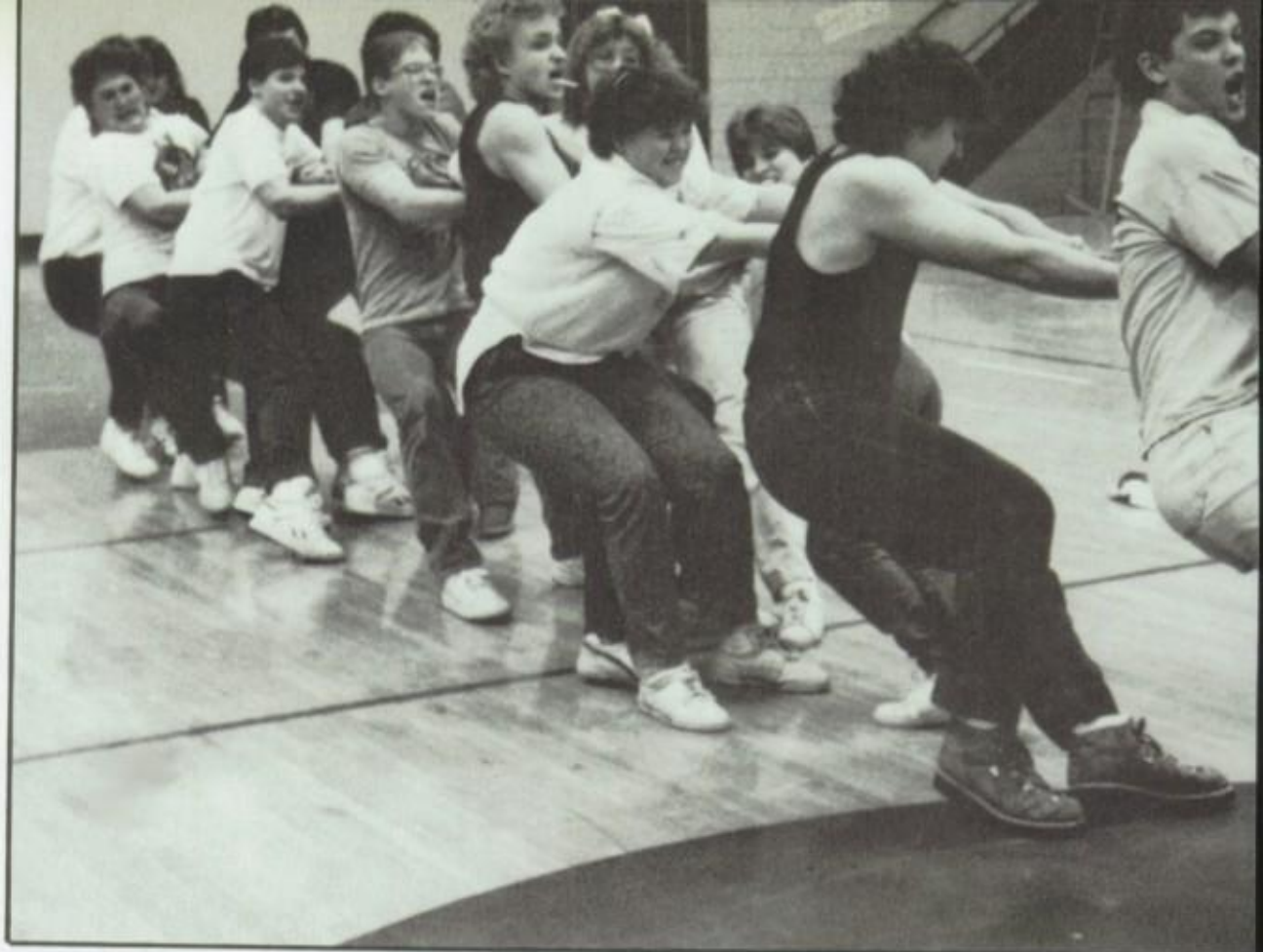
**HEAVY METAL.** Examining the William Perry NFL football rings on display in the library are sophomores Donnie Talent and John Barbieri. Both ordered white gold rings with red gems. Talent chose a basketball for the side while Barbieri chose a football.

**MAKING IT FIT.** Seniors Marc Schroeder and J.P. Totman measure for caps and gowns in the library. The boys will wear burgundy gowns and mortarboards on graduation day May 19.



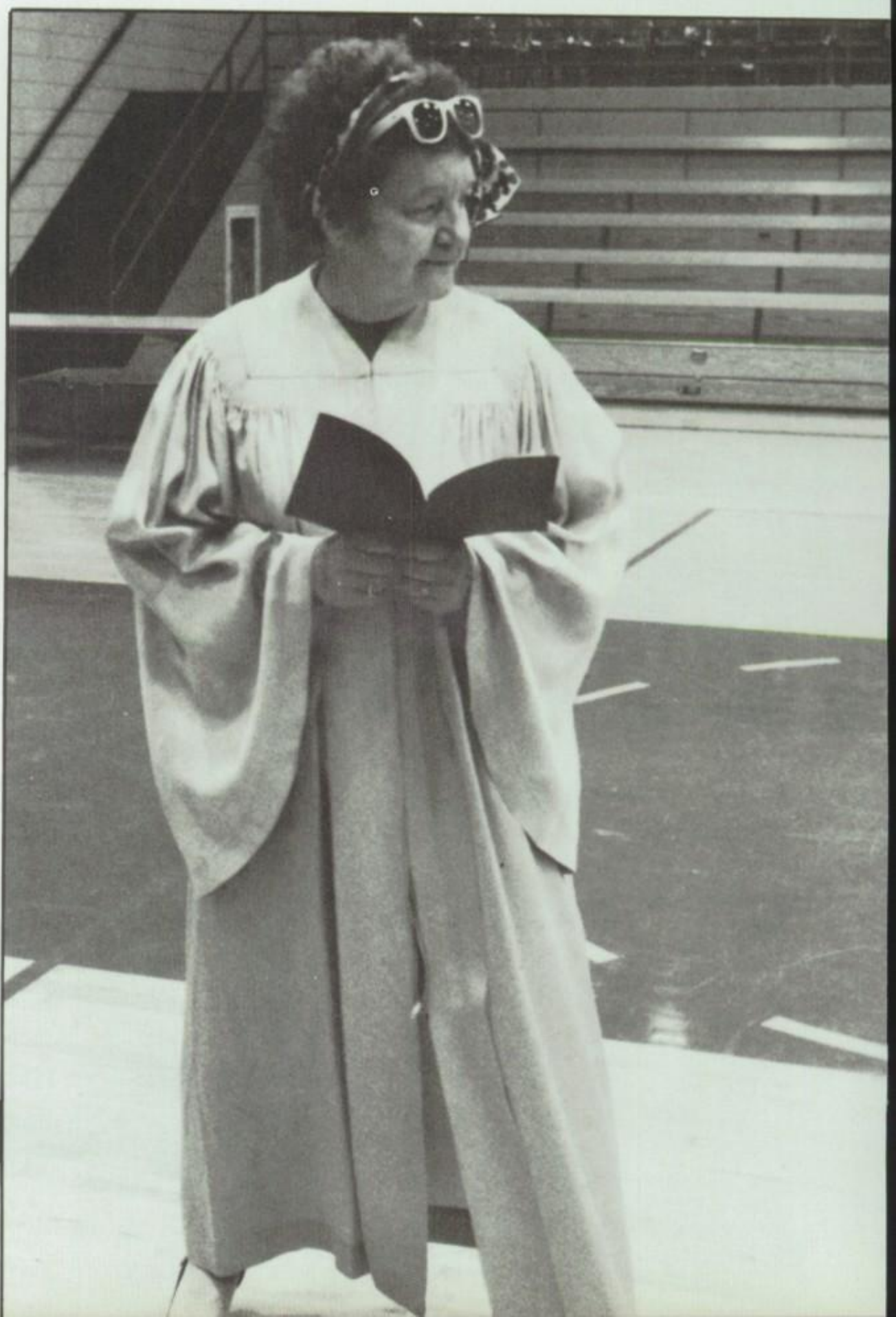
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**POWER PLAY.** Pulling off a first-place win over the juniors are sophomores Robbie Stewart, Buster Hoy, Vercie Gibson, Callie Carrell, Angie Reinier, David Lawson, Maurice Henrie and Mike Waterman.

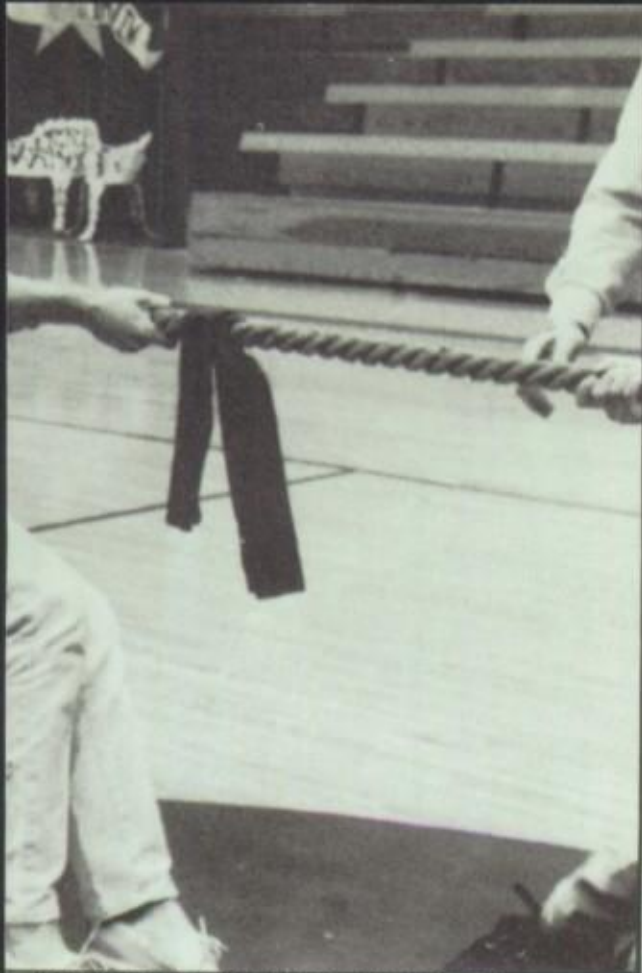


**HEAVE, HO.** On their way to a second-place finish in the tug-of-war are juniors Tom McDonald, Kris Palmer, Nikki Carden, Sandy Stewart, Jeff Pryor, Sherri Giordano and Cindy Reinier.

**WHO'S THAT GIRL?** To raise spirit for the homecoming game against Frontenac, teachers put on a surprise skit to "Future's So Bright I Got To Wear Shades." Mildred Leamon, business teacher, performs.







# No Biz

## Like Pseudo

# Showbiz

**DANCING IN THE DARK.** One of the first to arrive at the basketball dance, Kathy Collins, senior, struts to "One Vision" by Queen.



## Dark shades, groovy costumes

and teachers left a gym full of students splitting their sides with laughter over a surprise skit presented by ten faculty members at the basketball homecoming pep assembly.

"Some of the teachers wanted to do something for some time that would surprise everyone," said Linda Roberts, librarian.

"Mrs. Roberts and Mrs. Kelderhouse thought it would be fun. We have done skits in the past for pep assemblies. It has been six or seven years ago since we did our last skit, but this one was better," said Evelyn James, art teacher.

The theme for the skit was "Future's So Bright I Got To Wear Shades."

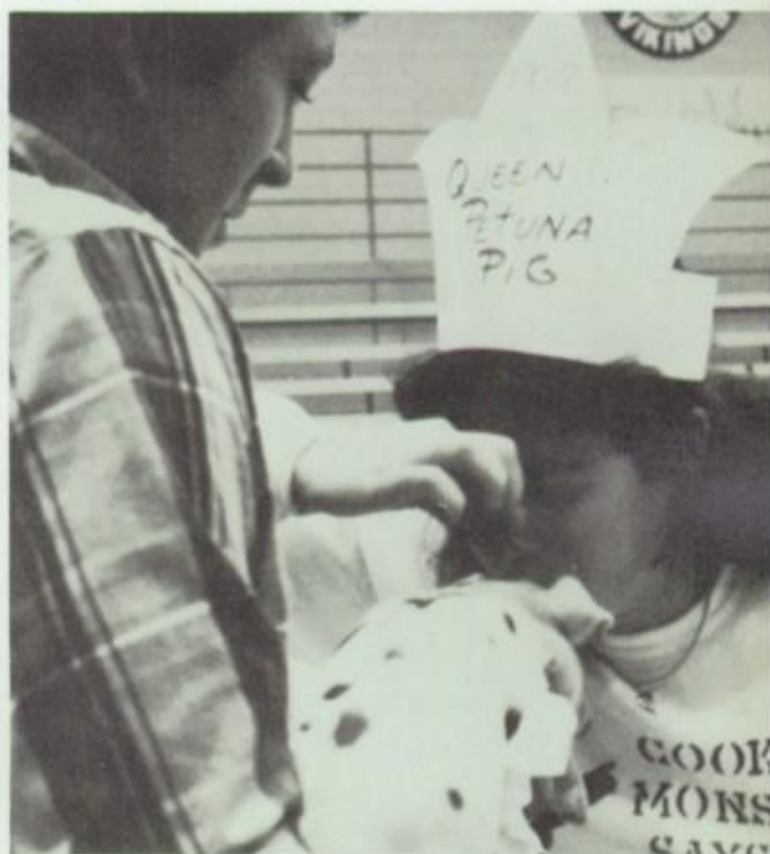
"I got the idea to do a skit when I was watching *Puttin' on the Hits* last year, and it looked like it would be fun," said Roberts.

"My son Brandon liked the song and always went around the house singing it. Mrs. Roberts wanted to do a skit for last semester, and I brought up the song. She listened to it and liked it, and we took it from there," said Myrta Kelderhouse, home economics teacher.

Costumes for the skit were obtained by either watching TV or just imagining what a modern band should look like.



**IN THE SPOTLIGHT.** Hyped up after their homecoming win over Frontenac, Tom McDonald, junior, shows Dana Davidson, senior, his newest moves.



**PUCKER FOR THE PORKER.** After winning a new student council fund raiser, Queen Petunia Pig, Michele Henrie, senior, holds her nose to kiss the trophy. The baby pig was furnished by junior Luana Fleury's folks.



# If The

# Crown Fits,

# Wear It

## The crowd waited with

anticipation as the new sports royalty was announced at the homecoming game. Senior basketball cheerleader Ruth Gibson announced, "The new 1986-87 sports king and queen are Tom McDonald and Michele Henrie."

"I was very surprised when I was chosen as king, and I was very happy for Michele," said McDonald, junior.

"I was surprised and happy that fellow teammates chose me to represent them for homecoming queen. I was really honored," said Henrie, senior.

Nerves were shaky for the eight candidates as they approached coronation but were soon calmed as the ceremony started.

"At first I was kind of nervous but then Lynetta and I started joking around and I relaxed," said McDonald.

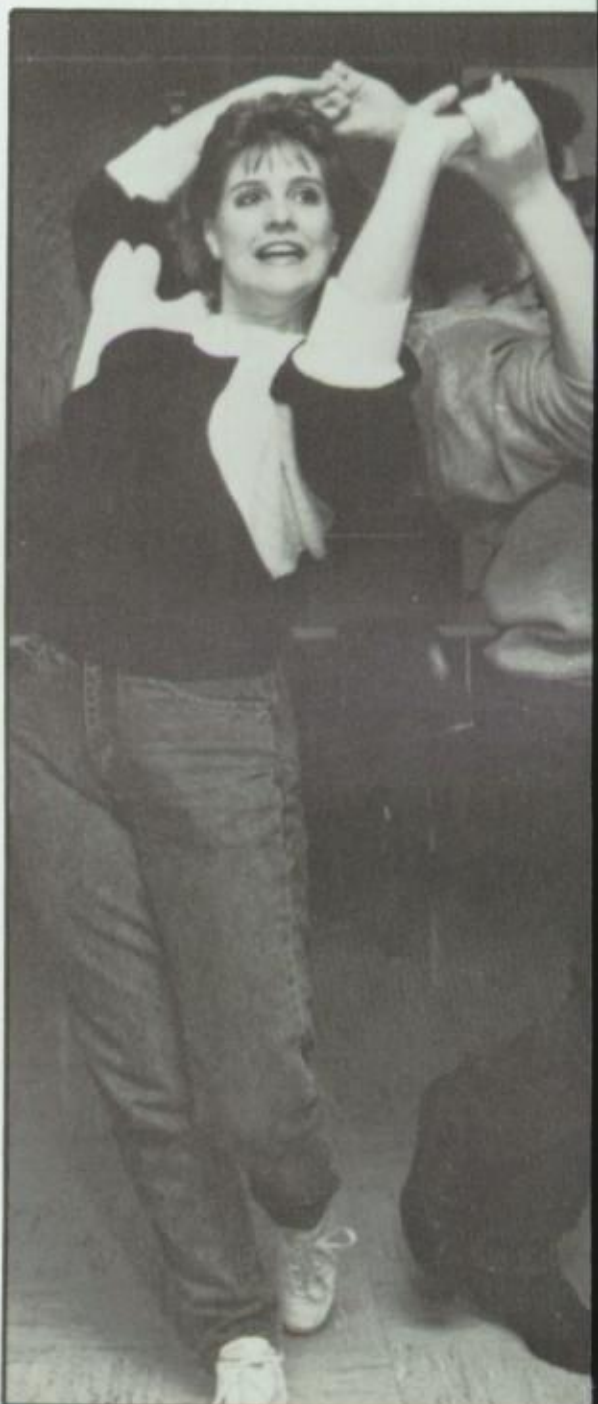
"I wasn't real nervous because I was too busy laughing at my dad, who was imitating Mrs. Crim while she took pictures," said Kerrie Hopkins, senior.

The king and queen were presented a plaque by last year's royalty, Dana Davidson and Craig Barbieri.

"Playing Frontenac for homecoming made us try harder and gave us more spirit because they have always been a big rival," said Paul Christman, senior.

"Homecoming has always been special. I think the basketball games are all played with a little more enthusiasm than usual. Being picked by teammates as a candidate makes it even more special and being crowned queen is even more exciting," said Henrie.

**SCENT-SATIONAL.** Newly-crowned sports queen Michele Henrie, senior, and Kris Palmer, junior candidate, smell the bouquet of carnations Henrie received at coronation.

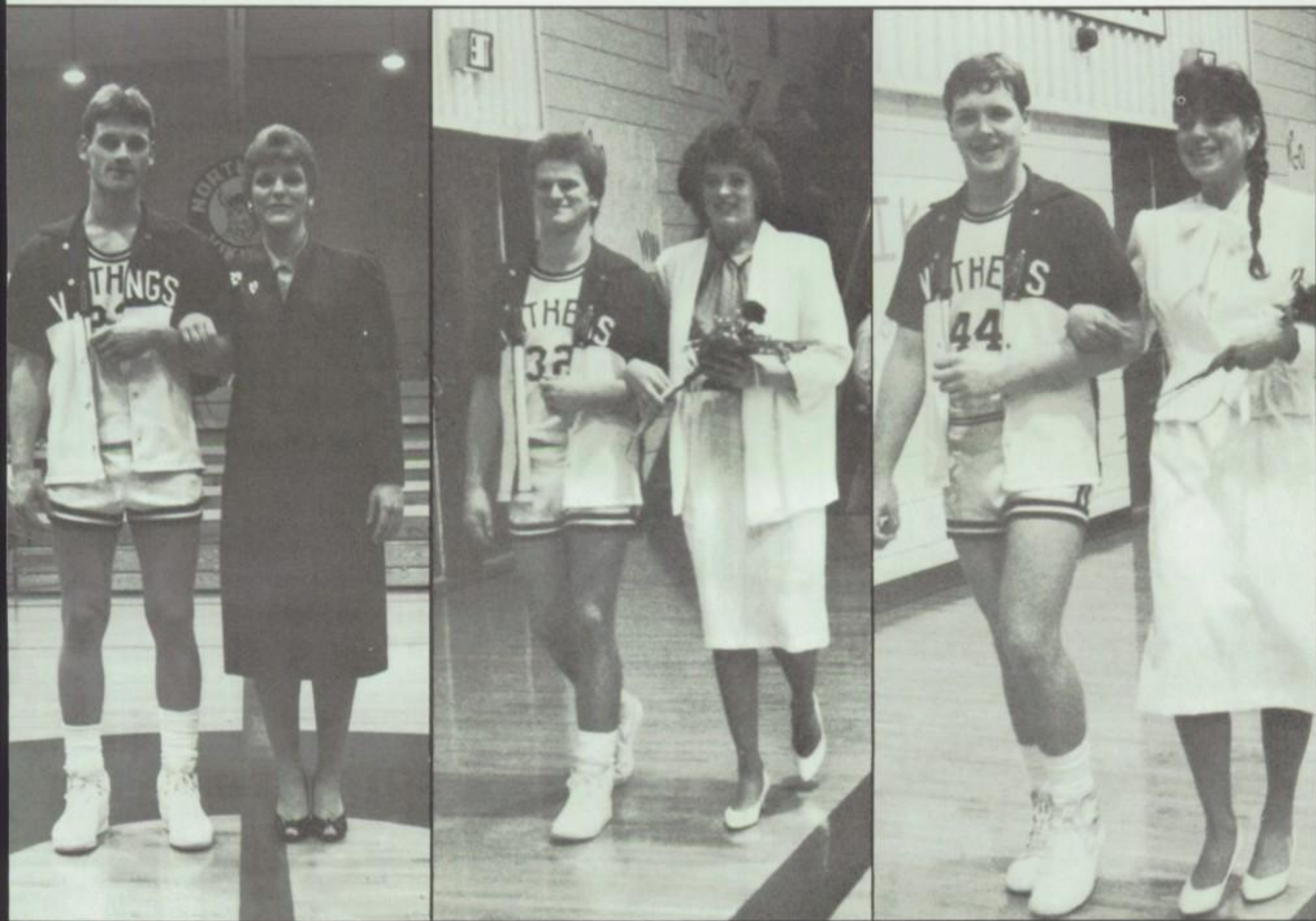


**SITTING PRETTY.** After coronation, homecoming queen Lynetta Younge, junior; Michele Henrie, senior; Kris Palmer, junior; and Kerrie Hopkins, senior, sit and talk about the hot temperature.

**THE ONES TO WATCH.** Stepping out at the homecoming dance to "Slip Inside My Sleeping Bag" by ZZ Top are junior Nikki Carden and freshman Craig White.

**Sports Royalty Homecoming**





**SPORTS ROYALTY.** Candidates for sports king and queen are Jeff Pryor and Kris Palmer, juniors; Doug Patterson and Kerrie Hopkins, seniors; Paul Christman, senior; and Lynetta Younge, junior. All of the candidates are involved in basketball and were chosen as candidates by the student body. Everyone involved in athletics was eligible for candidacy.

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**CAPTURE THE MAGIC.** At halftime of the boys' game against Frontenac, Michele Henrie, senior, and Tom McDonald, junior, are named sports king and queen. Both played in their varsity wins against Frontenac.



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**SINGING SENSATION.** Singing for the audience at the fashion show are Terri Bridgewater, freshman; Ruth Gibson and Rita Crain, seniors; Christina Crumby, Becky Evans and Andrea Frye, freshmen; and Vicki Rhodes, junior.

**STAR STRUCK.** While preparing the gym for prom, juniors Sherri Giordano, Luana Fleury and Cindy Reinier take time out to have fun and decorate each other.







**STEP-BY-STEP.** After six weeks of working on a sweatshirt for home ec, Sheril Bolejack, freshman, models it at the fashion show. Sweatshirts were the freshmen's first required projects.

## Puttin' On The Formal Glitz

**STICKY BUSINESS.** After the streamers are hung, Debbie Lenne, junior, tapes them to the floor. Decorating the gym for prom took about four hours. Prom colors were maroon and silver.



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rilly gowns and tuxes were what

dominated the prom scene. But they weren't what some thought of as the most important parts of prom.

"Prom is important because it brings juniors and seniors together to share an evening of memories," said Kris Palmer, junior.

"I feel prom is important because it's a special occasion when everyone can dress up and have fun and not worry about school," said Kenny Prettyman, senior.

"Prom is important because it's a tradition," said Jeff Pryor, junior.

Tucked into the maroon and silver prom decorations and humor was the theme "Nothing's Gonna Stop Us Now."

"What I remember most about prom is when I called Mr. Bualle president instead of principal when I was introducing him for his remarks at the banquet," said Palmer.

"Something I remember is when Sandy and I went shopping right before prom. I had \$6 and my purchase came to \$4.14. We went out to the car, and I had \$5 in my hand. I had given the cashier \$1 and she had given me change back. I ended up paying 76 cents," said Nikki Carden, junior.



**THIS BUD'S FOR YOU.** Measuring and cutting streamers for the walk through is Aaron Cronister, junior. Bud Sherman, junior, awaits to hang the streamers while Jeff Pryor, junior, watches.



**OVER THE SHOULDERS.** For two months Zie Pickle, freshman, worked on her blue abstract print suspended dress. Here, Pickle models her dress at the fashion show called "Harbor of Fashions."





**TOTAL HARMONY.** As part of the girls' ensemble Terri Bridgewater and Jackie Toschi, freshmen, sing alto while Vicki Rhodes, junior, and Becky Evans, freshman, sing second soprano for "Flying Dreams."

**ALL TOGETHER.** Ending with "Centuria," the band checks Larry Hill, instructor, for a change in tempo. Other songs were "El Capitan," "Overture De Sonora" and "Lassus Trombone."

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**FOREIGN SAVVY.** Using a "cheat sheet" to remember her lines, Rebecca Douglas, freshman, reveals her Spanish speaking skills in a skit. Evelyn James, instructor, participates in the duet.

## Talent Provides Evening's Program

**GUNS AWAY.** After receiving a white ribbon at Girard for his gun cabinet, Vester Lawson, junior, displays his wood project at the Evening of Fine Arts on Tuesday, April 14.



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## vening of Fine Arts was more

than just an hour of fun and games. It was, instead, an hour for students to show family and friends what they actually accomplished in their classes.

"I put about 150 hours into my hope chest," said Paul Christman, senior. "When I set it out for display, I was afraid someone would knock it over and break it."

Other participants said they felt little apprehension about showcasing their talent, regardless of the amount of work involved.

Vickie Rhodes, junior, said she made multiple phone calls, visited every record and music store in Pittsburg and searched through boxes of books to find the music for "Love Will Find a Way."

"In preparing for the art fair, I did some clay sculptures," said Jamey Rawlings, senior. "I felt they were a lot better to show than just my sketches."

Still other students expressed feelings of discontent.

"It's very disappointing to know that the ground bleachers weren't even filled," said Kathy Collins, senior.



**DRUMMER BOY.** A background beat for Vicki Rhodes' solo is provided by Randy Baca, junior. Baca has played the drums for seven years.

**SING ALONG.** Although she takes vocal lessons from Kathryn Parke, Vicki Rhodes, junior, says she is always nervous before performing.







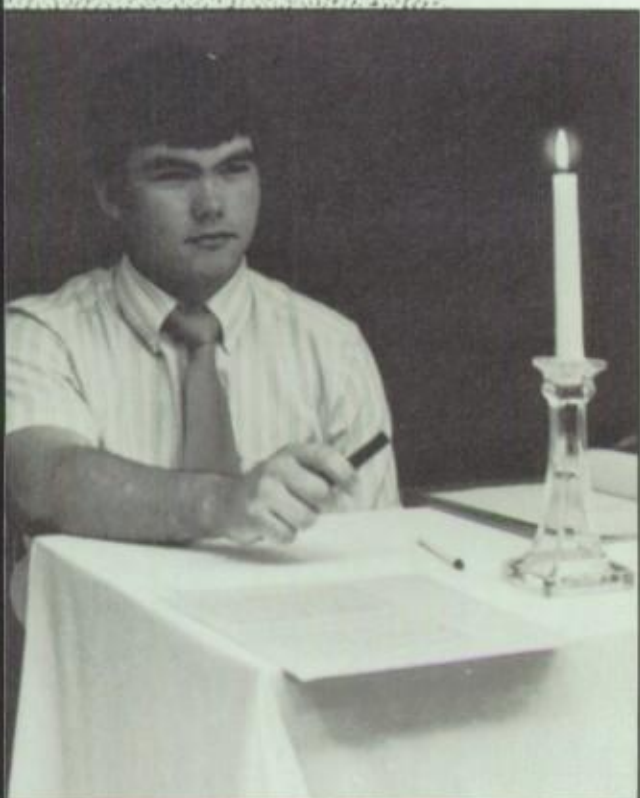
**SIGN OF THE TIMES.** Adding her name to the National Honor Society record book is Jodi Goodman, senior. J.P. Totman, senior, Sherri Giordano and Luana Fleury, juniors, and Lisa Baldwin and Kenny Prettyman, seniors, wait. Program guests are Lori Bennett and Marilyn Snider.

**NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY MEMBERS.** Front Row: Lisa Baldwin, senior; Jodi Goodman, senior; Sherri Giordano, junior; Luana Fleury, junior. Back Row: Kathy Collins, senior; Michele Henrie, senior; Kenny Prettyman, senior; J.P. Totman, senior.

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**THE SERIOUS SIDE.** In front of an audience of about 25, J.P. Totman, senior, listens to the installation proceedings while waiting for his duty, as National Honor Society secretary, to present the record book for new members to sign.

# Tops *In A* *Tough* Line

**IN THE SPOTLIGHT.** To alleviate the formality of the National Honor Society installation, music is provided by Michele Henrie, senior, Vicki Rhodes, junior, and Kathy Collins, senior. The two numbers performed were "Memory" and "Take These Wings."



## **S**cholarship, leadership, character

and service. These are all qualities it takes to become a member of National Honor Society.

Three of the five new members agreed that it took some sacrificing but it was worth it. "I gave up many hours of television as well as time with my family and friends," said Jodi Goodman, senior.

"I had to cut out on some of the fun others had, but I didn't have to make any real sacrifices," said Kenny Prettyman, senior.

"There were times when I went straight to my room after school and stayed there all night doing homework and studying," said Luana Fleury, junior. "It ended up paying off though."

"I really didn't make any sacrifices since making the grade has always been important to me," said Sherri Giordano, junior.

"I didn't make any sacrifices," said Lisa Baldwin, senior.

"It is a great honor to be a member of the National Honor Society. I am proud of my accomplishment," said Goodman.

**LOOKING SMART.** As a part of the installation ceremony, newly elected National Honor Society members Lisa Baldwin, senior; Luana Fleury and Sherri Giordano, juniors; and Kenny Prettyman and Jodi Goodman, seniors, await their turn to be introduced.



**MASTER OF POSSIBILITIES.** Presenting new initiates to National Honor Society is senior Kathy Collins, vice-president.





# Bittersweet

## Emotions Color Faces At Graduation

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ears fell as each of

the 29 students from the senior class said their farewells.

Two 6-foot-two-inch-tall football players stood in the commons area and sobbed as they shook hands and congratulated each other.

They had just sat in the gymnasium packed to capacity in nearly 90 degree heat for the hour-and-one-half ceremony.

Featured speaker was O. Gene Bicknell, president of National Pizza Company, whose words of wisdom to the graduating class were "Stay close to your parents; they get wiser as you get older" and "Never procrastinate; get done what has to be done."

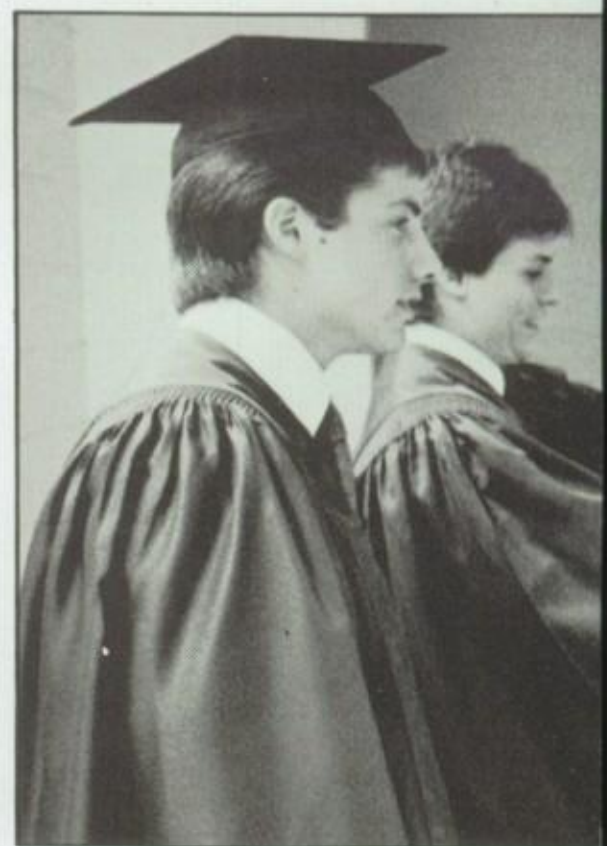
Deborah Schaub, president of the board of education, read the poem "No One Adds Up Exactly Like Me" for the senior class before she presented their diplomas.

Giving the welcome speech to parents, family, faculty and friends was Michele Henrie. Henrie showed her gratitude to everyone by writing in her speech "Thanks for buying and eating all the fruit cakes," alluding to the 20-year-standing senior money maker.

After the ceremony the graduates held nothing back. Boys and girls both showed their emotions through hugs, kisses and tears.

Even Marvin F. Bualle, principal, waited to shake hands with seniors before smiling sheepishly and laying a giant hug on each graduate as he or she walked toward the cafeteria for the last time to turn in caps and gowns.

**THAT'S LIFE.** Graduates Cheryl McDowell and Bee Kime wait for the ceremonies to begin. McDowell pulled ligaments in her ankle by tripping over third base in a recent softball game against Galena. Kime checks how close it is to line-up time for commencement.







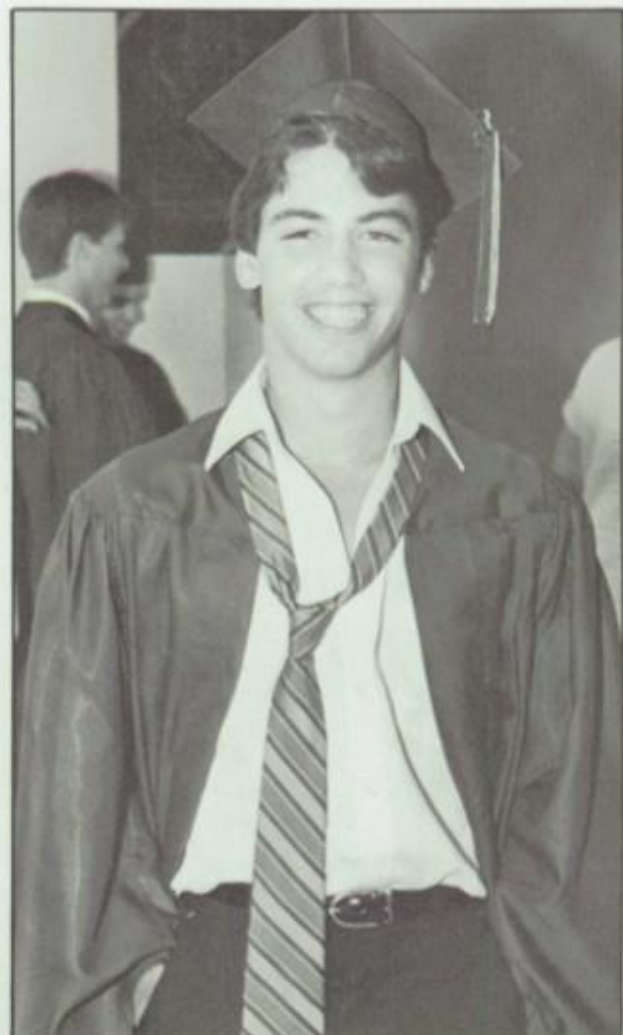
**SMELL OF SUCCESS.** In line waiting to walk into the gymnasium is Kerrie Hopkins, senior. Hopkins' boyfriend Rusty Bright, Class of '85, video taped the whole ceremony.



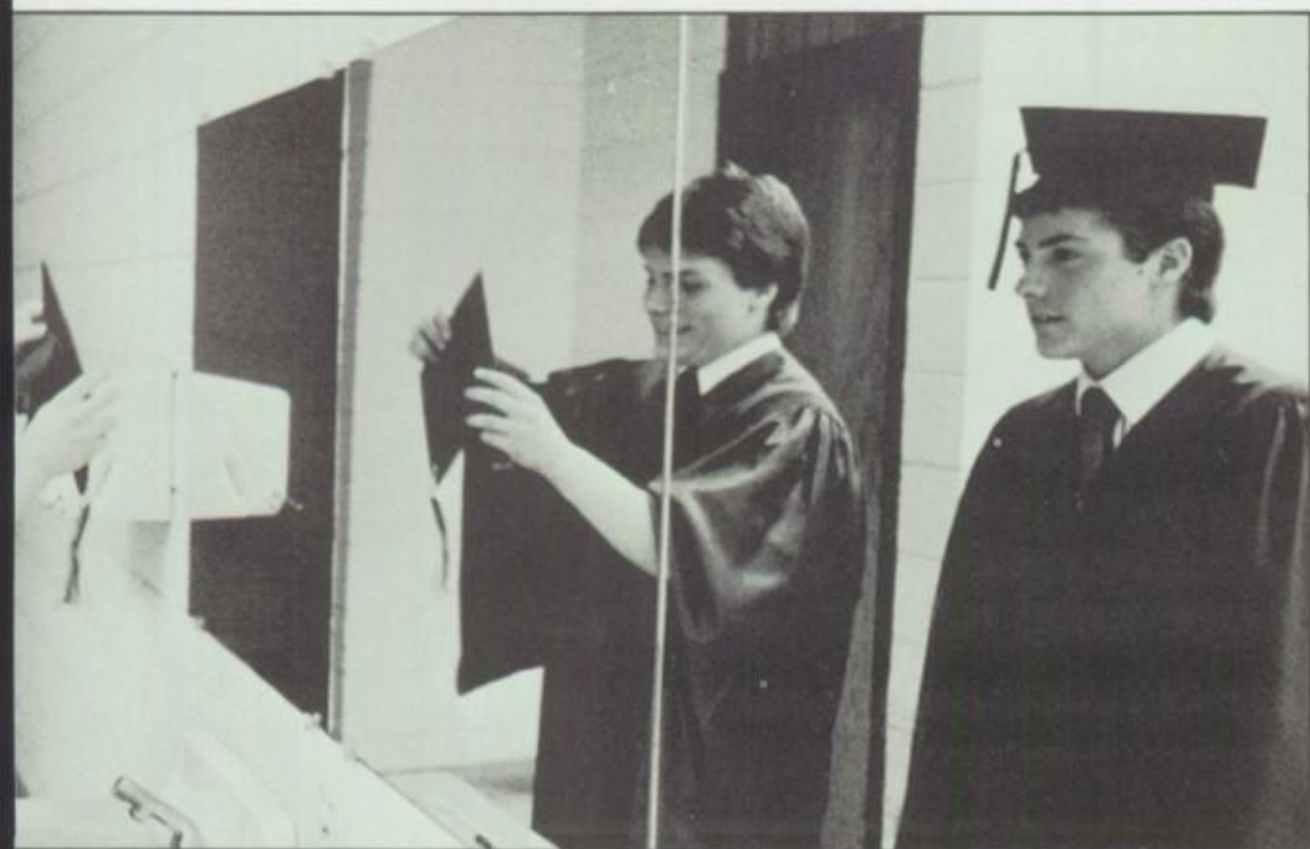
**THE FINAL ADIEU.** After receiving their diplomas, the senior class walks toward the commons area where they all met with family, teachers and friends to say their final goodbyes.



**THE LAST LAUGH.** Getting her last laugh in before she leaves the high school scene forever is Kathy Collins, senior. Collins received a Dean's Scholarship and the NEAT Scholarship.



**LOOSE TIES.** Gifted education student Dale Hunkele, senior, says clowning around before commencement helps him relax and helps to break the monotony of the emotional occasion.



**REVERSED IMAGE.** Before the ceremonies, graduates Marc and Mike Schroeder groom themselves for the special occasion. The Schroeders are the only twins attending the high school.



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ittle rewards seemed to keep spirits and attitudes up as the long season tried to take its toll on athletes. Receiving a shirt for getting the hit of the week, offensive player of the week, or defensive player of the week kept players on their toes and taught them to give that extra 10 percent to get the reward.

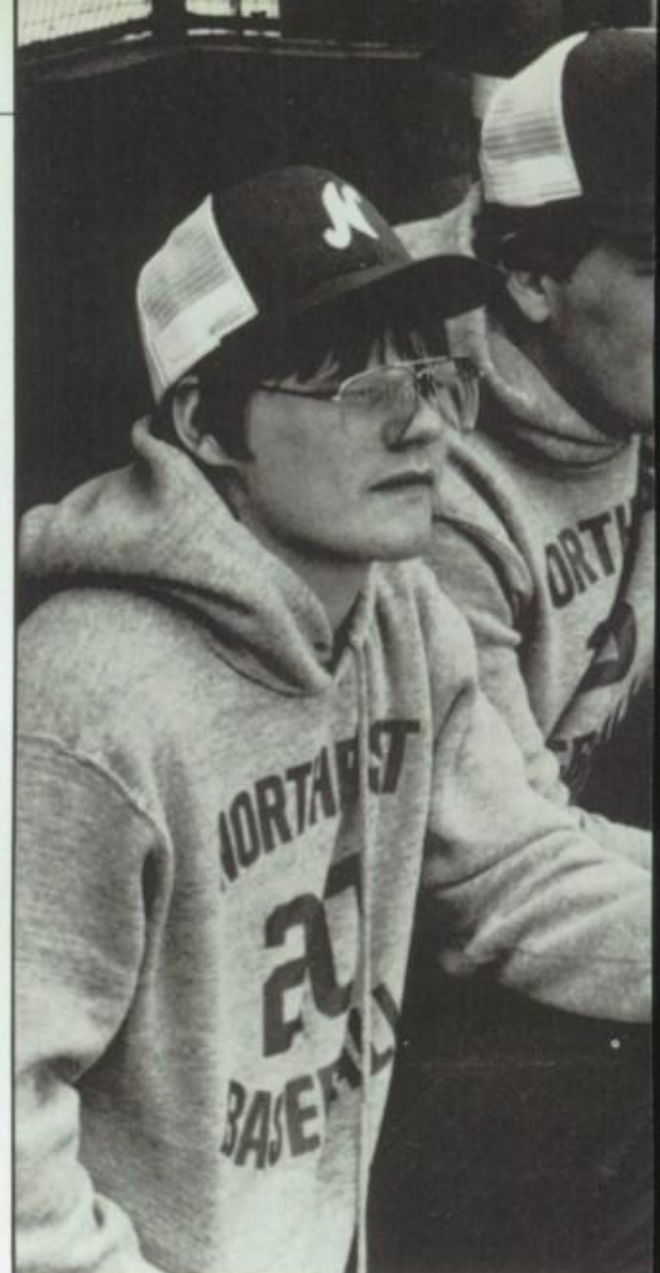
"Shirts were an incentive to give a little bit more of yourself during each game. I think if everyone had had a chance to get a shirt, the season would have been more gratifying," said J.P. Totman, senior. "I tried to keep my shirts from getting torn up."

Titles teased volleyballers to greater performances when Coach Judy Bache began presenting players with incentive boosters.

"I feel my most improved quality this year was setting, I didn't think I would ever get the hang of it, but I got to where setting became a reflex," said Jodi Goodman, senior.

"I felt confident about my serves this year. I worked hard on serving and it paid off. There was one night in practice when I had to get a certain amount of serves over. Mrs. Bache told me I could just leave, but I didn't leave until I was finished," said Kerrie Hopkins, senior. "That's how I earned 'Boomer' for the season."

**SOME LIKE IT HOT.** Exhaustion overcomes junior Lynetta Younge after taking first place and beating her own school record in the mile with 5:59. Alan Roberts, coach, and Pete Galindo, junior, help her off the track.







**CONSTRUCTIVE CRITICISM.** Watching and discussing an error made by the infield in the second inning of play are freshman Wayne Palmer, sophomore L.J. Dungan, freshman Craig White and sophomore Mike Waterman.



**TEAMING UP.** Getting support from teammates Kris Palmer, junior, and Kerrie Hopkins, 24, senior, are seniors Dana Davidson, 10, and Michele Henrie, 25, whose performances were awarded by being named to a total of four all-area teams after basketball season was over.

"Even though our season wasn't a success, I really enjoyed pitching for the Vikes," said Tom Bertoncino, sophomore.



**HEAT OF THE MOMENT.** Caught in a bind with Riverton men pressing him to throw the ball is freshman Joe Broyles. Broyles tries to find a way to get the ball to teammate Eric Redfern, 40, freshman. Their efforts paid off as the Vikes won the jayvee game 47-36.





# NO TIME *for* NERVES

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aid back best delineated volleyball from any other sport, team members said. Before the games in the locker room, nerves were there but were less severe than before basketball games.

"Before volleyball games I didn't really worry too much about how good I would do. I just went out there and gave it all I had," said Luana Fleury, junior.

"My nerves never seem to be as uptight in volleyball as in any of the other sports I do," said Dana Davidson, senior. "I really don't know why either, because I was always scared but never nervous before the games, even the really big games."

"I was really nervous about the

Frontenac game, and I really didn't know why, but after we lost to them, my nerves were fine. I guess losing to Frontenac hurt me more mentally than physically," said Sherri Giordano, junior.

Seniors lead the team with both leadership and sportsmanship. Senior Kerrie Hopkins lead the team with 78 serves. Davidson took first in dinked points with 42. Senior Michele Henrie took the honor of non-returnable spikes.

"I really had to work hard on my spiking because I'm not real strong so I had to have really good form and learn how to place my spikes," said Henrie.

"Serving was my strongest area; I worked hard on it. Coach Bache had us serve a lot so I had time to figure out the perfect technique," said Hopkins.

**ANTICIPATION.** Bumping the ball back to the other side and waiting for the return are Luana Fleury and Kris Palmer, juniors. Helping nearby is Stacy Kunstel, freshman.

**BACK BUMPER.** A defensive hit along with 10 service points by Kris Palmer, junior, and seven points by teammate Sherri Giordano, junior, help the Vikes beat the Panthers, but they still fell to the Raiders.

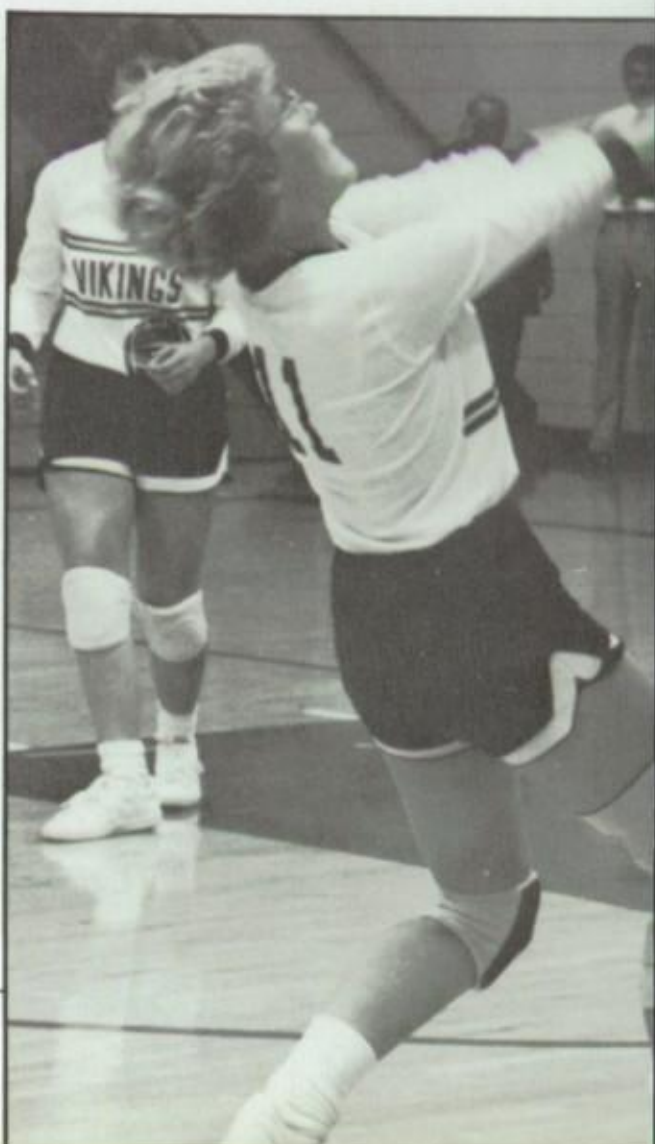
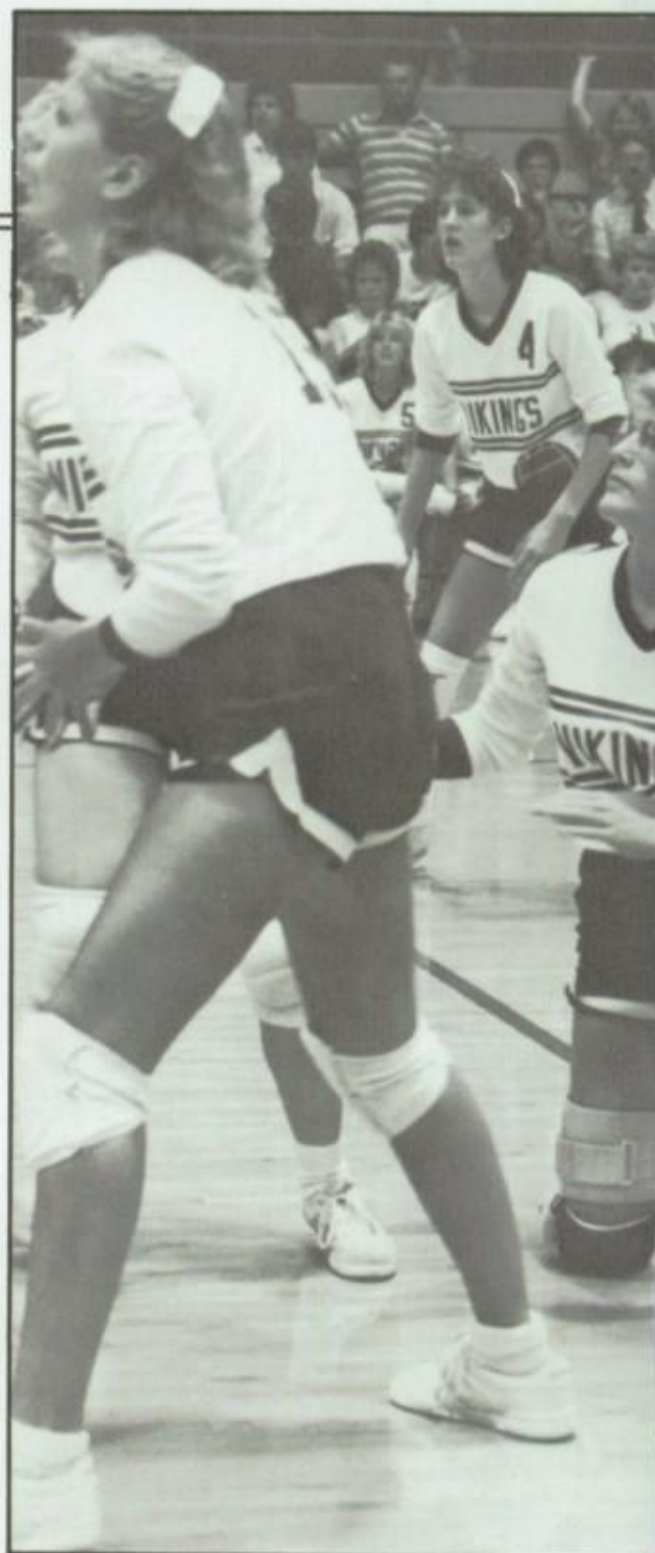
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## **VOLLEYBALL TEAM.**

**Front Row:** Michele Henrie, Jodi Goodman, Dana Davidson, Coach Judy Bache, Jeannie Hincey.

**Second Row:** Shaylon Bennett, Aime Broyles, Jodi Van-Leeuwen, Kerrie Goodwin, Amy Zerngast, Becky Banks.

**Third Row:** Shana King, Kelly Robertson, Tracey Waterman, Jodi Allen, Laurie Mlekus, Jackie Toschi. **Back Row:** Stacy Kunstel, Kris Palmer, Melissa Wilson, Vicki Rhodes, Sherri Giordano, Luana Fleury.

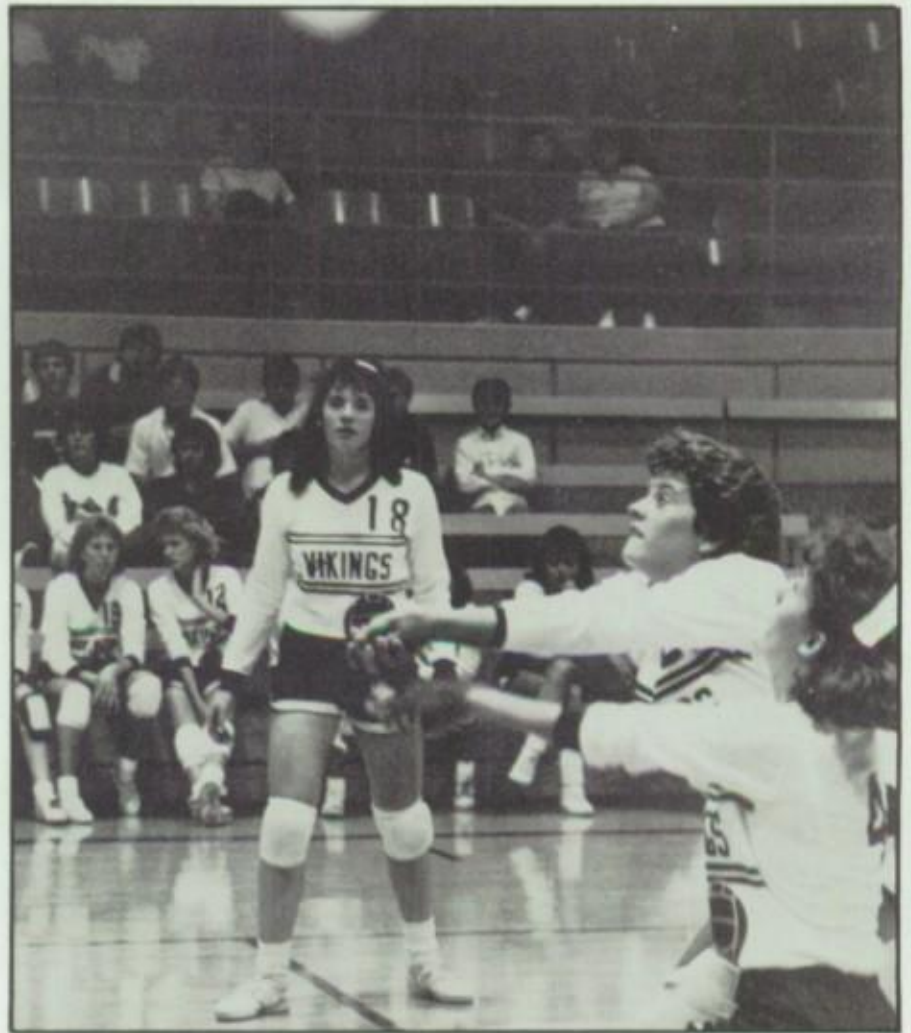






**FANCY FOOTWORK.** Stretching to bump a serve up to the front line is Dana Davidson, senior. The Vikes defeated the Liberal Bulldogs in three matches at the first Northeast Quadrangular. Carl Junction and Colgan also attended the tournament.

**GREAT BACK-UP.** To make sure that Kerrie Hopkins, senior, doesn't miss the ball, Stacy Kunstel, freshman, and Michele Henrie, senior, check her play for backup.



"This year was really pretty scary to me. When Jodi got hurt I had to come in as a starter. Boy was I really nervous."

Aime Broyles, sophomore

"Volleyball this year was the best ever. We had a bigger team with a lot of freshmen, but best of all we had confidence. That winning attitude made all the difference."

Michele Henrie, senior

## SCOREBOARD

*Wins-7 Losses-8*

|                |                  |
|----------------|------------------|
| Colgan         | 15-11 15-1       |
| Frontenac      | 11-15 16-14 4-15 |
| Galena         | 15-12 15-11      |
| Girard         | 8-15 15-11 15-12 |
| Erie           | 11-15 15-9 15-12 |
| Riverton       | 16-14 7-15 9-15  |
| Baxter Springs | 10-15 11-15      |
| Southeast      | 4-15 9-15        |

|                      |                   |
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| Northeast Quadrangle |                   |
| Frontenac            | 10-15 4-15        |
| Carl Junction        | 15-11 15-12       |
| Liberal              | 14-16 15-10 16-14 |

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| Colgan Quadrangle |                   |
| Colgan            | 13-15 15-13 15-11 |
| Southeast         | 6-15 6-15         |
| Chanute           | 9-15 12-15        |

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| Sub State |             |
| Frontenac | 12-15 13-15 |

### Honors

All Crawford-Neosho-  
Cherokee League  
Michele Henrie  
Dana Davidson



# GAMES *of* EMOTION

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ootball is an emotional game. Ask any player and what they remembered about their games attested to just how emotional.

"The personal highlight I remember most would have to be our first game against Erie when everybody was healthy, and the whole team played," said Todd Pyle, junior.

"We were fired up and had a lot of leadership during the year. We could have had a much better season if most of our starting players weren't injured as much," said Doug Patterson, senior.

"My personal highlight was the Frontenac game. I started at tackle with Kevin Reinhardt across from me. I played my best game ever and received offensive player-of-the-week," said Maurice Henrie, sophomore.

"My personal highlight was being able to start and play when most freshmen do not play very much football," said Wayne Palmer, freshman.

"The highlight of the season was when Barry Rasnic and I stopped a fourth down, and I played in the final minutes of the last quarter against Thayer," said Michael Waterman, sophomore.

"My personal highlight I remember most was scoring two touchdowns against Erie," said Jeff Pryor, junior.

"When I got CNC second-team, all-conference linebacker was a highlight for me," said J.P. Totman, senior.

"My most memorable moment was when I saw Billy Hardiman's foot step on my face," said Tom McDonald, junior.

"The most memorable moment for me was my first time to start at full-back and being able to run the ball," said Palmer.

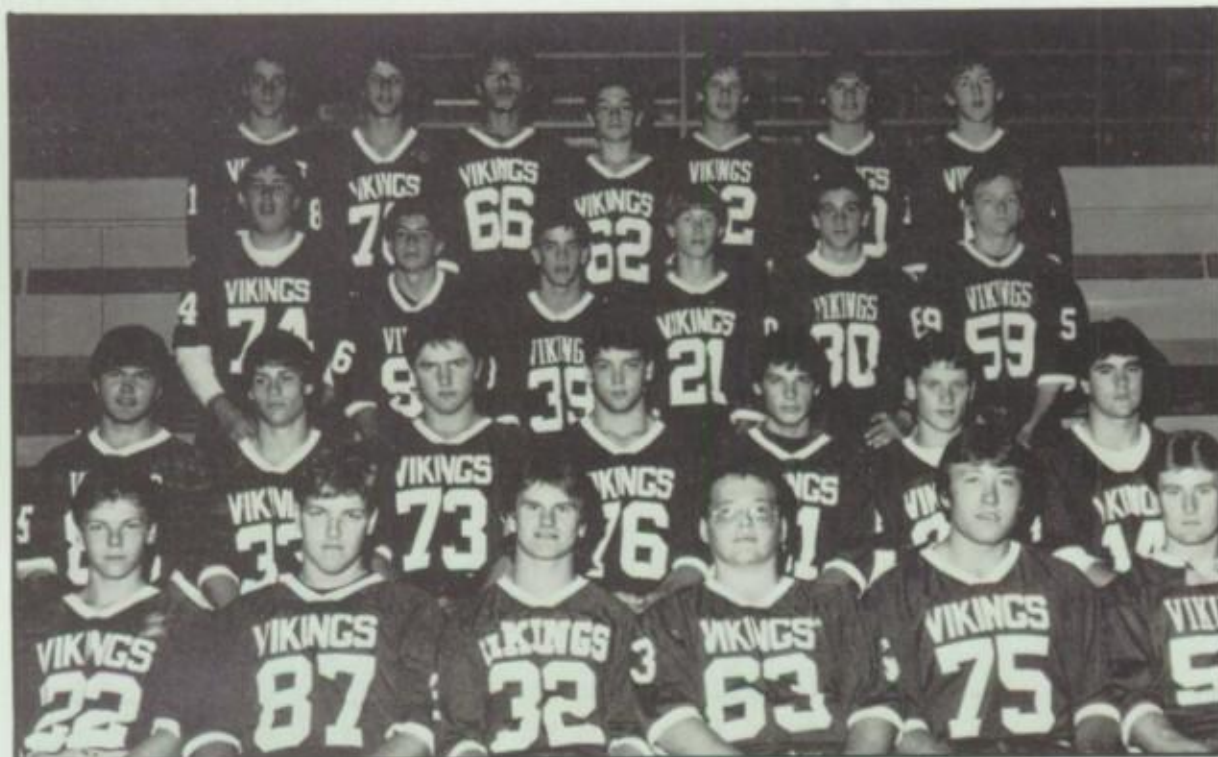
**BATTLE SCARS.** After reopening an old wound on the nose received in a game against Frontenac while blocking senior Paul Utley, senior Paul Christman, 87, walks off the field after losing to Colgan.

**FREEZE FRAME.** Cutting against the grain on a defensive play, sophomore David Lawson, 31, tries to stop his Raider opponent. Pursuing the tackle are seniors Marc Schroeder, 33, Troy Evans, 75, and sophomore Tom Bertoncino, 39. A strong first half, but a weakened second half, ended in a 0-28 defeat.

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**FOOTBALL TEAM.** Front Row: Jamey Rawlings, Paul Christman, Doug Patterson, Barry Rasnic, Troy Evans, Todd Pyle. Second Row: J.P. Totman, Marc Schroeder, Michael Waterman, Robbie Stewart, Maurice Henrie, Jeff Pryor, Tom McDonald. Third Row: L.J. Dungan, John Barbieri, Tom Bertoncino, Bridger Robinson, Greg Banks, Chris Malcolm. Back Row: David Lawson, Lance Kocur, Ott Kime, Craig White, Eric Redfern, Wayne Palmer, Chad Wickham.



**RUN FOR COVER.** An offensive sweep got senior Doug Patterson, 32, his greatest yardage. Patterson says he had eight yards in the game, but stats showed negative five. The Vikes lost 0-29 to Colgan.

**GOTCHA.** Colgan offensive player senior Mike Bourgault, 32, runs the ball on Colgan's most-used play, the outside veer. Sophomore David Lawson, 31, and senior Paul Christman meet him at the hole.



# A SEASON *of* HURTS

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njuries plagued a 2-win, 7-loss season despite depth and ability.

"I think we played rather well despite not having our stand-out players in some of our most important games," said Chad Wickham, freshman.

"I really felt stupid about breaking my finger during practice, but practice was sometimes rougher than the games," said Wayne Palmer, freshman.

"After I sprained my neck, I had to get shock treatments for two weeks. It took me a while to get used to the hitting again," said Paul Christman, senior.

"I was only able to play a few games this season because of my broken wrist at the Baxter game. It took almost four months for my wrist to heal. I still did everything I could to help out the team," said David Lawson, sopho-

more.

"I really had a hard time playing the rest of the St. Paul game with bruised ribs. I never felt so much pain than when I got hit," said Doug Patterson, senior.

"In the Baxter game Tom injured his neck, and Coach Harman told me I was in for Tom. I had never been so nervous and scared in all my life. I had to keep telling myself to remain calm and just do the best I could to help the team. But only a few plays later, I injured my back. I really felt that I had let Coach Harman and the team down. During the games, while I was on the sidelines, I tried to help out the team in any way I could," said Wickham.

Eight of the 26 players were injured during the most intense part of the scheduled games, against Baxter Springs, Liberal, Frontenac and Colgan.

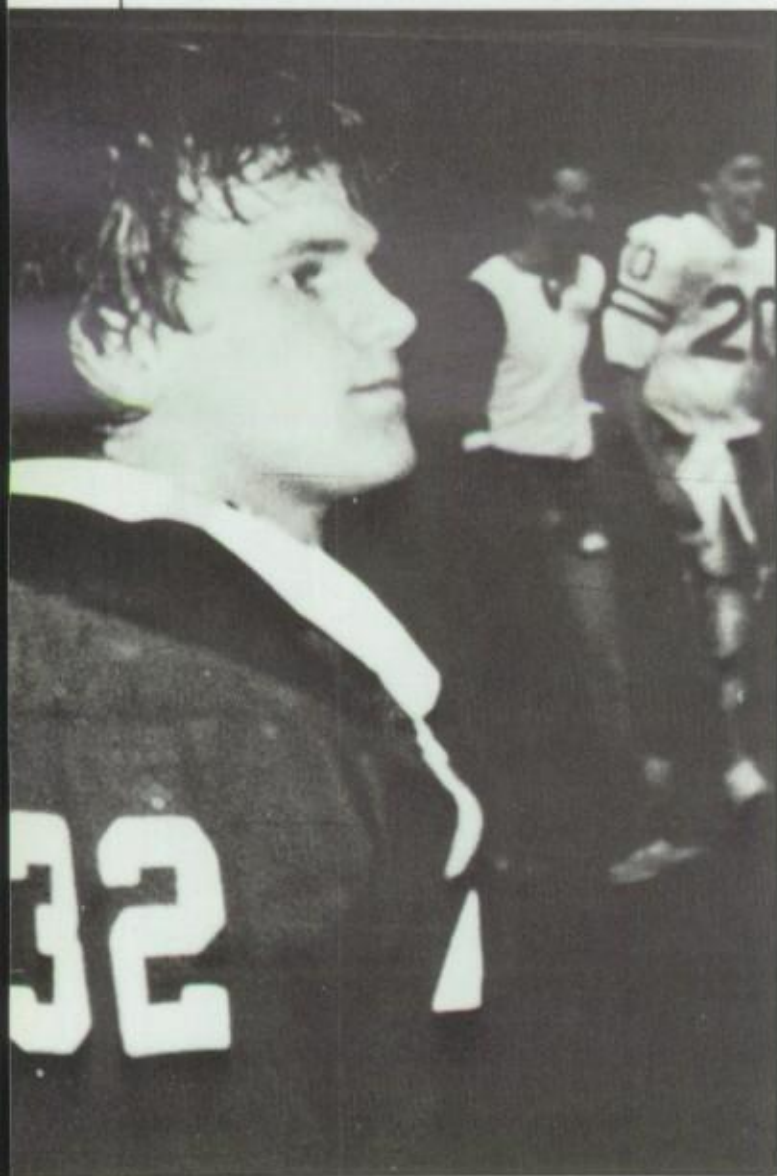
"We suffered a lot of injuries during those 4 tough games. It really put a lot of pressure on the rest of the team to carry the load of those who were injured. As I look back on the season, I can say that we had a tough season," said Todd Pyle, junior.

**WATER! WATER!** Taking full advantage of an official's time out are sophomore Rob Stewart; seniors Marc Schroeder, Paul Christman and Troy Evans; juniors Todd Pyle and Jeff Pryor. Team manager Curtis Popejoy, freshman, relays a defensive change for Coach Bill Harman. Christman also tells Popejoy to bring him another Band-Aid.

**GOOD GRIEF.** Senior Doug Patterson walks off the field after a disappointing loss of 0-29 to the Colgan Panthers. Patterson was held to under 10 yards for the night.

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**ON THE SIDE.** Sideline experts Gary Pommier and Gus Sustarsic, both veterans of the chain crew, give an hour or more at home games to help keep track of yardage.







"This year was a real disappointment for me. I only got to play two games before I hurt my neck, so I couldn't accomplish anything for myself or for the team."

Tom McDonald, junior

"When I broke my wrist, I was very angry with myself. I couldn't believe it happened to me during football. But I still stuck with the team."

David Lawson, sophomore

## SCOREBOARD

*Wins* 2

*Losses* 7

|                |       |
|----------------|-------|
| Erie           | 30-6  |
| Riverton       | 19-22 |
| Baxter Springs | 0-32  |
| Liberal        | 8-26  |
| Frontenac      | 0-28  |
| Colgan         | 0-29  |
| Altoona-       |       |
| Midway         | 20-0  |
| St. Paul       | 0-28  |
| Thayer         | 6-7   |

### *Honors*

All Crawford-Neosho  
Cherokee League  
Doug Patterson  
Second-team Defense  
Second-team Offense  
JP Totman  
Second-team Defense  
Paul Christman  
Honorable-mention  
Defense  
Todd Pyle  
Honorable-mention  
Offense



# BACK *to the* BASICS

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undamentals and intensity took the place of both height and scoring for the boys' basketball team as they ended their season with a 3-17 overall record.

"With our lack of height we had to rely more on the outside shot. We also had to work harder on rebounding than other teams," said Maurice Henrie, sophomore.

The average height for the team was 5-foot-10-inches, while the average height for opposing teams was 6-foot, with the exception of the Frontenac Raiders whose average height was 5-foot-11-inches.

"When we played teams our own size, we tended to play better than our opponent did, because we were used to playing larger teams. We have the same abilities and talent as all the other teams, but we don't have any height to go along with our capabilities," said Tom Bertoncino, sophomore.

**FANCY FOOTWORK.** Stealing the ball from his Southeast opponent is sophomore Tom Bertoncino, 35. Bertoncino ended with a total of seven steals for the evening.

"We had the talent but we just lacked in the size department. When we played the larger teams, we had to spread out our offense and shoot from the perimeter. We also had to be quick to get inside to get position for the rebound," said Tom McDonald, junior.

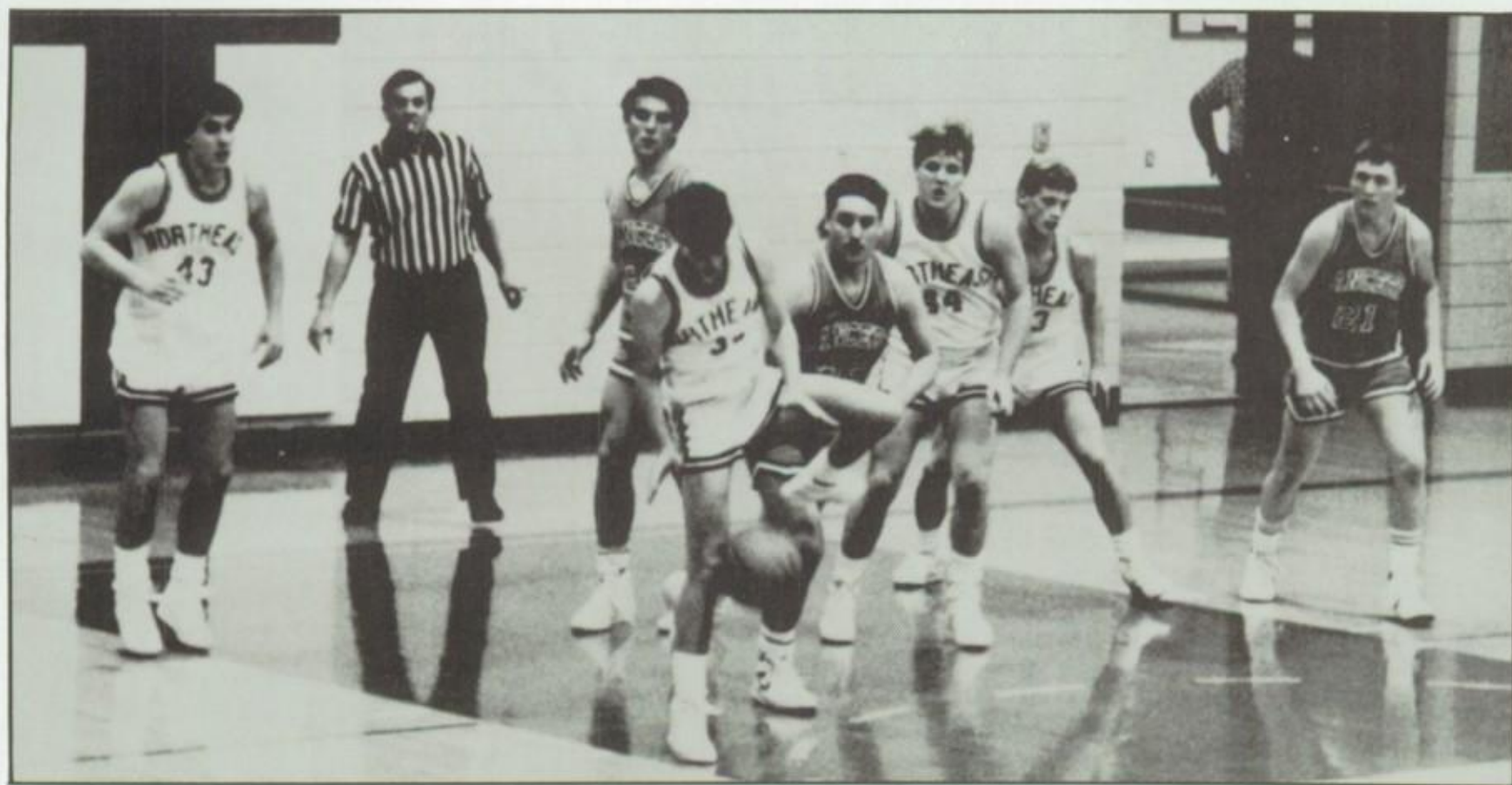
To make up for height, athletes had to give up some of their leisure time to improve on their shooting and rebounding.

"I worked on my shooting all last summer and once or twice a week after basketball practice. I also came up on Saturday mornings with Coach Buche and graduates who came up to help us improve on our shooting and rebounding," said Jeff Pryor, junior.

"I played horse with Dad when we both had extra time. But usually I lost; however, it did help build my confidence," said Bertoncino.

**ELBOW TO ELBOW.** In second-half action against the Girard Trojans, senior Doug Patterson blocks out senior Dennis Davied for a rebound. Patterson had nine rebounds for the evening.

**PERFECT FORM.** Up in the air for two of his 21 points in a home game against the Colgan Panthers is junior Jeff Pryor. The Vikings were defeated by the Panthers 59-68.







**A LITTLE R AND R.** Finding time to relax before the Frontenac game are senior Doug Patterson, juniors Tom McDonald and Vester Lawson, freshman Eric Redfern and sophomore Maurice Henrie.



#### BASKETBALL TEAM.

*Front Row:* Joe Pryor, Maurice Henrie, Jeff Pryor, Tom McDonald, Doug Patterson, Tom Bertoncino, David Robinson. *Second Row:* Warren Rhodes, Craig Spencer, Joe Broyles, Wayne Palmer, John Barbieri, Aaron Cronister, Vester Lawson, Coach Tim Buche. *Back Row:* Coach Joe Broyles, Lance Kocur, Ott Kime, Craig White, Doug Tran, Donnie Talent, Eric Redfern, L.J. Dungan.

"It was a long, frustrating year because of the losses and because a lot of the games weren't that close, but we all gained a lot because of the playing time, especially the frosh."

Jeff Pryor, junior

"It was an honor to play on the varsity squad, especially with my brother! The lack of size really hurt us in the long run."

Joe Pryor, freshman

## SCOREBOARD

*Wins-3 Losses-17*

|                |       |
|----------------|-------|
| Girard         | 49-46 |
| Baxter Springs | 38-75 |
| Southeast      | 31-48 |
| Colgan         | 30-45 |
| Galena         | 49-56 |
| Riverton       | 51-59 |
| Erie           | 40-58 |
| Frontenac      | 63-52 |

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|-----------|-------|
| Colgan    | 59-68 |
| Galena    | 52-72 |
| Riverton  | 57-90 |
| Erie      | 60-73 |
| Frontenac | 57-54 |

|                  |       |
|------------------|-------|
| <b>Sub-State</b> |       |
| Colgan           | 42-67 |

|                              |       |
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| <b>Riverton Invitational</b> |       |
| Oswego                       | 37-60 |
| Riverton                     | 65-66 |
| Chetopa                      | 61-63 |
| Girard                       | 40-66 |
| Baxter Springs               | 57-80 |
| Southeast                    | 50-62 |

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| <b>HONORS</b>                       |  |
| All Crawford-Neosho-Cherokee League |  |
| Jeff Pryor                          |  |
| Riverton Invitational Team          |  |
| Tom McDonald                        |  |



# PERKS *for* PLAYERS

**C**ollecting accolades was only the outside impression of the girls' basketball team. But the little things from coaches and fans were what brought the team together to give U.S.D. 246 the best girls' record they've ever had.

"When Coaches Cleland, Yartz and Kuhel bought us pizzas to eat before a game and after a practice, it really seemed to bring us, as a team, closer," said Kris Palmer, junior. "Valentine chocolates and cake and pop from them made everything even sweeter."

"The little booster signs and posters from Mr. Underwood and the cheerleaders also brought up our confidence about five notches," said Lynetta Younge, junior. "Also, Mr. Bualle's morning announcements gave us a lift for that evening's game."

One of the big highlights for the girls was an anonymous donation from a fan who paid for a dinner at the Country Cove for the basketball girls, coaches, superintendent and principal.

"The dinner really was special for the girls. It made them feel like winners," said Coach Ken Cleland. "It also brought their moral up from aver-

age to unbeatable."

"It was exciting to finally have someone notice our talent. It was extra special when he, or she, took us out to eat. We never did find out who it was, but whoever it is, we sure do appreciate it," said Kerrie Hopkins, senior.

"The anonymous dinner was the nicest thing anyone has ever done for our team. No one could believe that a mysterious fan was buying us all dinner. At first we thought it was our coaches, because they're always doing stuff for us. But when they didn't know, it made the dinner even more special, because we knew someone was proud of us, whether we were winning or losing," said Palmer.

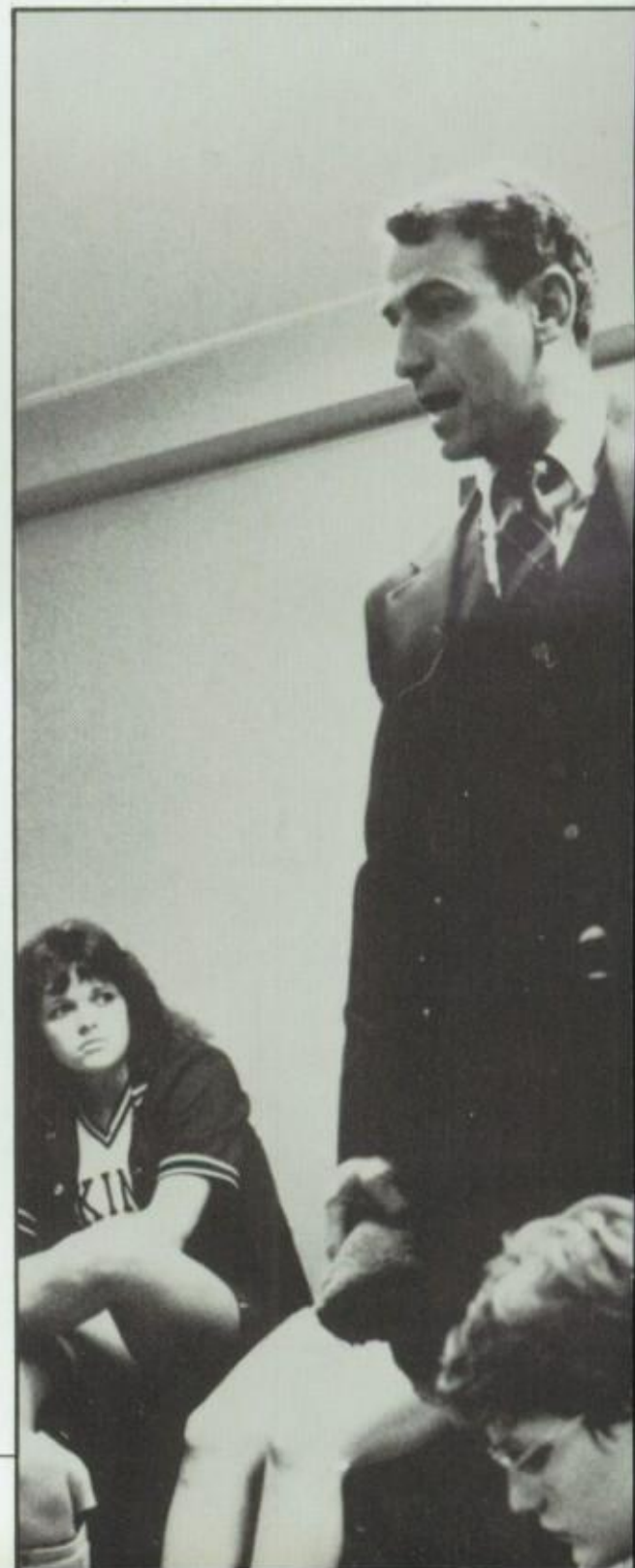


**JUMPING JACK DEFENSE.** Good defense by Kris Palmer and Lynetta Younge, juniors, and Michele Henrie, senior, sets the pace for the win against Baxter Springs.



**BASKETBALL TEAM.** Front Row: Coach Larry Yartz, Kris Palmer, Dana Davidson, Michele Henrie, Kerrie Hopkins, Luana Fleury, Lynetta Younge, Coach Ken Cleland. Back

Row: Vicki Rhodes, Kelly Robertson, Jackie Toschi, Tracey Waterman, Shana King, Kerrie Goodwin, Stacy Kunstel, Melissa Wilson, Coach Jill Kuhel.





**AND THEY'RE OFF.** Driving for a lay-up to pull ahead of the Southeast Lancers during over-time play is senior Dana Davidson with Kerrie Hopkins, senior, running to help.

**"I was really surprised that I received these awards. Being chosen by area and district coaches really reflected on all the effort I put out."**

**Michele Henrie, senior**

**"Receiving these awards this season has made my senior year unforgettable. I have to give most of the credit to my dad, for starting me playing when I was 10."**

**Dana Davidson, senior**

## SCOREBOARD

**Wins-15 - Losses-7**

|                       |            |            |       |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|-------|
| Girard                | 34-30      | Colgan     | 53-40 |
| Baxter Springs        | 36-51      | Lyndon     | 45-31 |
| Southeast             | 27-56      | Pleasanton | 27-45 |
| Colgan                | 55-30      |            |       |
| Galena                | 44-18      |            |       |
| Riverton              | 43-30      |            |       |
| Erie                  | 43-55      |            |       |
| Frontenac             | 38-31      |            |       |
| Riverton Invitational |            |            |       |
| Chetopa               | 55-54      |            |       |
| Baxter Springs        | 59-66      |            |       |
| Neodesha              | (OT) 54-59 |            |       |
| Girard                | 51-34      |            |       |
| Baxter Springs        | 48-47      |            |       |
| Southeast             | (OT) 49-48 |            |       |
| Colgan                | 49-43      |            |       |
| Galena                | 60-40      |            |       |
| Riverton              | 54-40      |            |       |
| Erie                  | 39-45      |            |       |
| Frontenac             | 54-38      |            |       |

### HONORS

**Dana Davidson**

All Crawford-Neosho-

Cherokee League-Unanimous

Riverton Invitational Team

Second Team All Area

All District Team

All 2A State Honorable

Mention Team

All Star Basketball Game

Michele Henrie

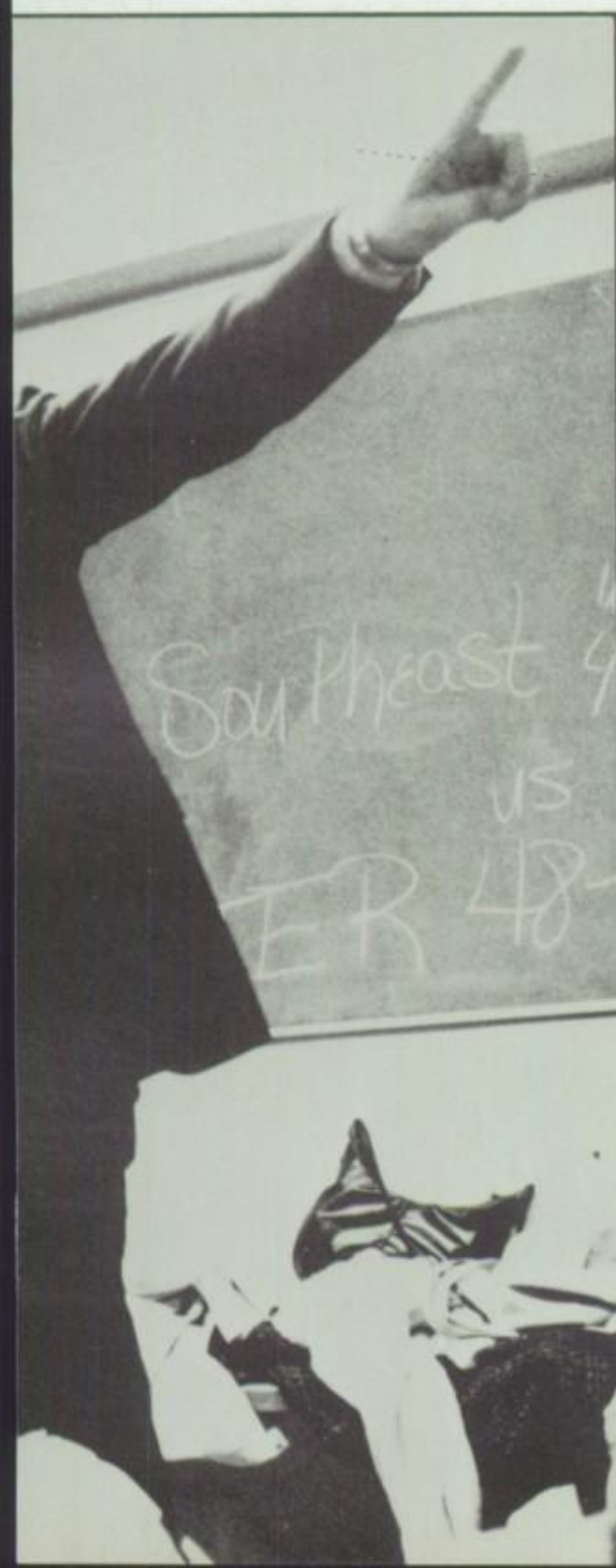
All Crawford-Neosho-

Cherokee League-Unanimous

Riverton Invitational Team

Honorable Mention Area Team

All District Team



**THE AGONY OF THE FEET.** A disappointing loss to the Erie Red Devils was hit hard by Michele Henrie, senior. Being the only loss on the Vikings home court made it even worse. Henrie scored 13 points that evening, but that was still not enough to win.

**LISTEN UP.** A pep talk from Coach Ken Cleland at halftime of the Colgan game set the girls straight to come out to beat the Panthers at the first round of sub-state. Junior Kris Palmer and freshman Shana King are really boosted by the talk.

**A LITTLE TWO STEP.** Attempting to shut down a Girard Trojan is junior Lynetta Younge. Because it was the Viking's first game of the season, the defeat over the Trojans was a shocking win. Also, it was the first ever defeat of the Trojans at home.



# WARMIN' *the* BENCH

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hether bench warmers or starters, every player had a part on the basketball team.

Players' roles ranged from cheerleader to active floor participant.

"During varsity games I sit behind the team and keep stats for them. I also cheer because I know that if they hear us cheering, it will make them try harder," said Craig White, freshman.



"The jayvee team supported us from the bench. They made it seem like every game was really important, because they stood behind us no matter if we were winning or losing," said Tom McDonald, junior.

Jayvee basketball also offered a means of getting experience. Plus, some jayvee players saw varsity action.

"Playing varsity was fun because you're playing with advanced players, and the game is so much more intense than jayvee," said Stacy Kunstel, freshman.

"I felt very proud to be a part of the varsity team. Although I may not have been as well developed as the upper-classmen, I feel it was a great learning experience that will help me later on," said Shana King, freshman.

Those involved agreed that when it came down to playing time, there was only one team working to be the best they could be.

**TOPS IN TOUGHNESS.** Against the Southeast Lancers, sophomore Warren Rhodes fights for control of the ball. Freshman Eric Redfern gets in on the action as a Southeast player gets pushed out of the way.



"My philosophy to becoming a better basketball player is that the players on the team — no matter if you're a bench-warmer or a starter — get along and care about each other."

Stacy Kunstel, freshman.

"I was so nervous before and during the first game I played in. I wasn't really nervous while I was playing, but I was really relieved afterwards."

Shana King, freshman.

## SCOREBOARD

### Boys' Jayvee

Wins • 4 — Losses • 7

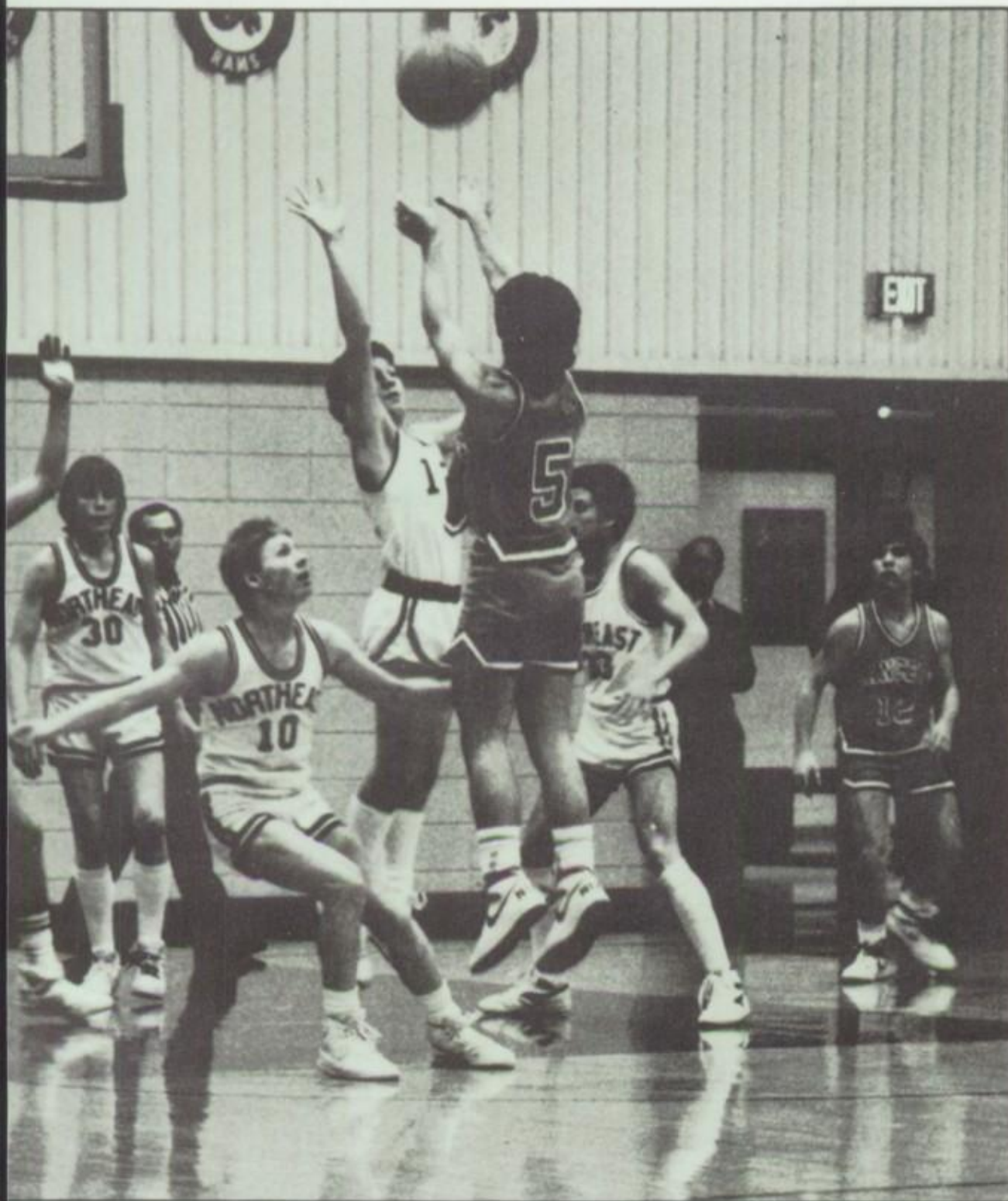
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| Girard               | 14-30 |
| Southeast            | 22-33 |
| Galena               | 40-20 |
| Baxter Springs       | 31-34 |
| Colgan               | 35-18 |
| Riverton             | 47-36 |
| Frontenac            | 33-29 |
| Erie                 | 16-32 |
| Southeast Tournament |       |
| Colgan               | 30-17 |
| Southeast            | 28-45 |

### Girls' Jayvee

Wins • 5 — Losses • 5

|                |       |
|----------------|-------|
| Galena         | 50-52 |
| Baxter Springs | 26-43 |
| Colgan         | 28-44 |
| Colgan         | 43-40 |
| Riverton       | 28-35 |
| Frontenac      | 34-33 |
| Girard         | 27-49 |
| Southeast      | 24-59 |
| Galena         | 40-35 |
| Erie           | 34-48 |
| Baxter Springs | 42-31 |

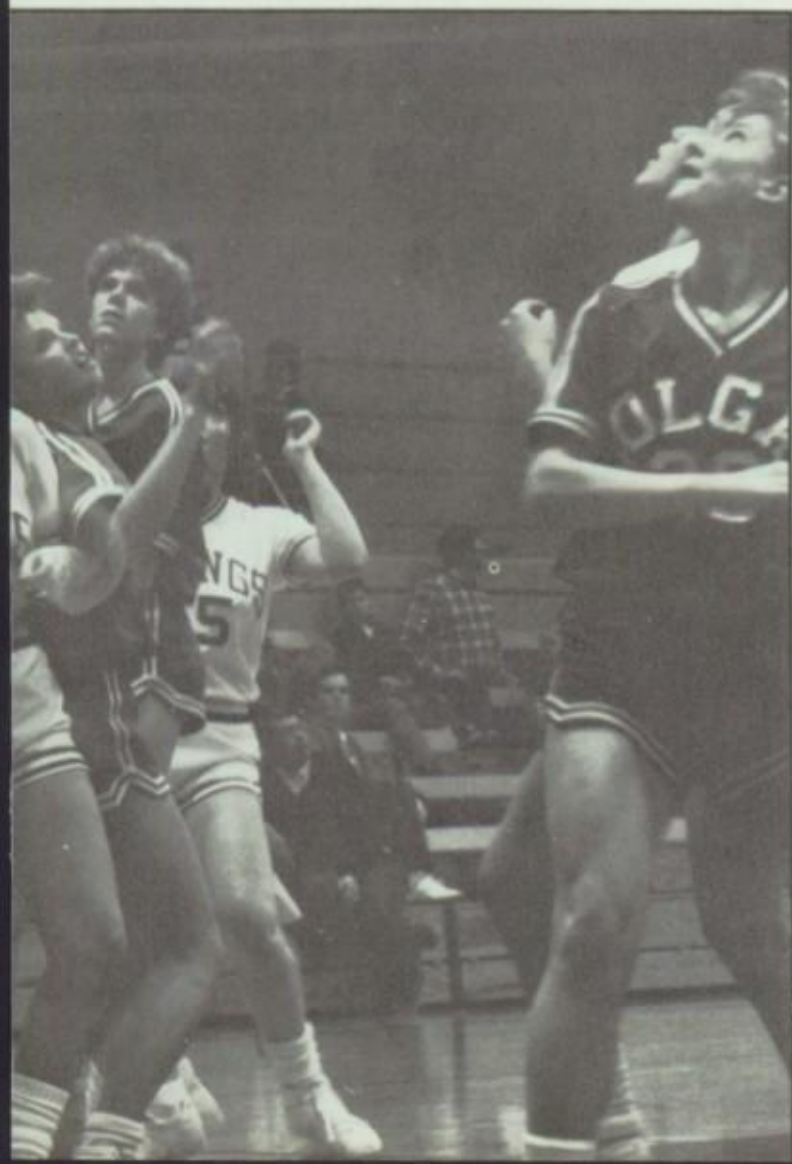




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**HOLD EVERYTHING.** Trying to stop so he won't run into the shooter and commit a foul is junior Aaron Cronister, 10. Guarding the shooter is freshman Craig White, 12. The Vikings lost 24-59.

**LOOSE BALL.** Hustling her way to save a Viking turnover is freshman Stacy Kunstel, 13. Kunstel contributed three points in the win over the Southeast Lancers.



**WATCHING AND WAITING.** In first-half action against Colgan, junior Luana Fleury fights her way to the basket to get one of her seven rebounds. Fleury also contributed six points in the 55-30 win over the Panthers.

**UP FOR GRABS.** Defending Southeast's Gavin Stewart, 5, is freshman Wayne Palmer. Helping on defense are sophomore Maurice Henrie, 41, and freshmen Ott Kime, 23, and Lance Kocur, 35.



# SO CLOSE *but yet* SO FAR

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inning wasn't everything for the baseball team as they ended their season with a 0-17 record.

Players looked at the season not only as a learning experience but a time to improve on their own baseball skills.

"At practice I work on fielding grounders with good form, and I also work on making good throws," said Craig White, freshman.

"To improve my batting, I used a batting glove, and I also used the pine tar rag Mr. Broyles purchased for the team," said J.P. Totman, senior.

Players often gave some of their extra time to practice on their batting.

"On Sundays Coach Broyles would get out the pitching machine so we could get in on some extra hitting

practice. I'm really glad I gave up some of my spare time to practice. It really paid off when I needed it!" said Jeff Pryor, junior.

"I worked a lot on concentrating on the ball; it is essential for the batter to keep his eye on the ball, so I practiced that as often as I could," said David Robinson, junior.

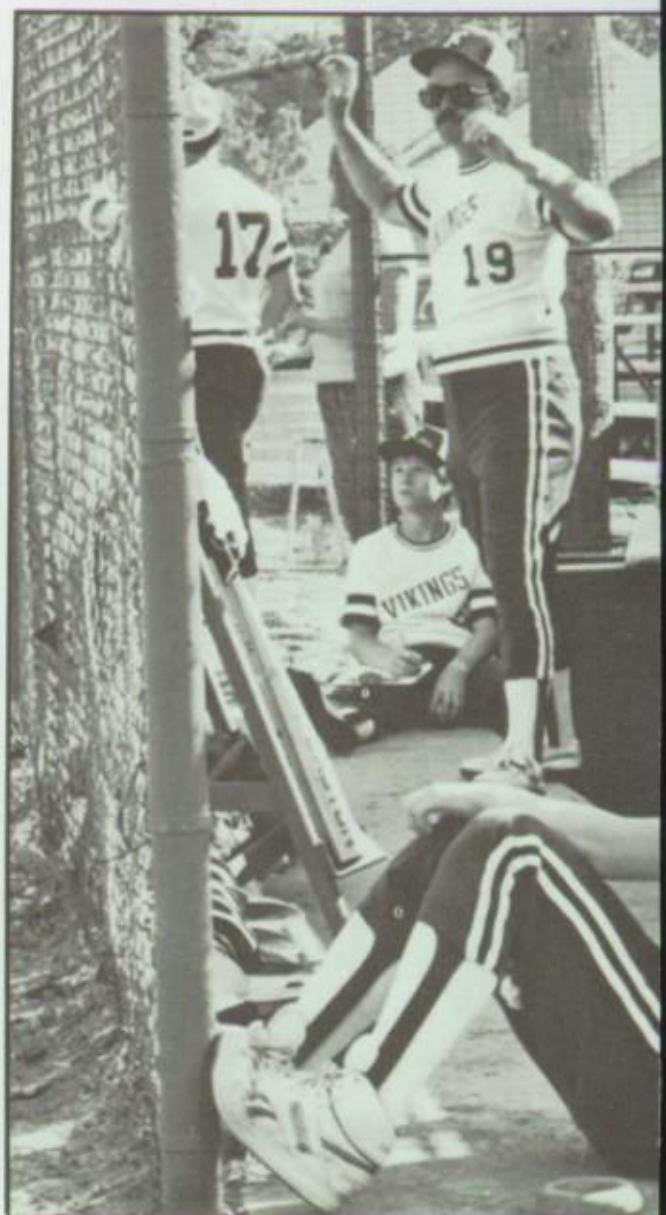
"Until the Galena game, the first one, I didn't really know how to play baseball. Coach Broyles taught us what the game really involved. Before, we just played at it," said Totman. "I feel as if I now have an understanding of what baseball means."

"I especially feel that I have a better command of all the fundamentals of baseball after Coach Broyles worked with us," said Totman.

**WAY OUT.** Outfielder Eric Redfern, freshman, makes the throw to second base during the Riverton game. Redfern started the game in right field and batted sixth in the line up. Redfern went zero-for-three against the Rams in the first game.

**COMING DOWN!** In the Vikings' second game against Riverton, J.P. Totman, senior, throws the ball after a wild pitch to third baseman David Robinson, junior, in an attempt to catch a base stealer. The Vikings lost the doubleheader 0-12 and 1-7.

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**BASEBALL:** Front Row: Coach Joe Broyles, L.J. Dungan, Troy Evans, Barry Rasnic, J.P. Totman, Joe Broyles, Jamey Rawlings. Second Row: David Robinson, Jeff Pryor, Mike Waterman, Ran-

dy Baca, Maurice Henrie, Tom McDonald, Tom Bertoncino. Back Row: Chad Wickham, Eric Redfern, Wayne Palmer, Greg Banks, Matt Cronister, Craig White.



**SURF'S UP.** Without the aid of the ocean, Joe Broyles, freshman, manages to "Hang Ten" during the Riverton game. Broyles barely managed to catch the wild throw.

**WHAT'S UP?** A foul ball catches the attention of freshman Matt Cronister, Coach Joe Broyles and freshman Chad Wickham, 11. The foul ball was caught by senior J.P. Totman.

## SCOREBOARD

*Wins-0*

|                        |      |
|------------------------|------|
| Quapaw Tourney         |      |
| Ketchum, Oklahoma      | 0-8  |
| Quapaw, Oklahoma       | 2-12 |
| Galena                 | 4-17 |
| Galena                 | 0-15 |
| Frontenac              | 1-7  |
| Frontenac              | 5-9  |
| Altoona-Midway         | 8-9  |
| Altoona-Midway         | 9-15 |
| Baxter Springs         | 0-14 |
| Baxter Springs         | 0-6  |
| Baxter Springs Tourney |      |
| Baxter Springs         | 1-11 |
| Riverton               | 5-12 |

*Losses-17*

|          |      |
|----------|------|
| Colgan   | 4-17 |
| Riverton | 0-12 |
| Riverton | 7-12 |
| Galena   | 6-16 |
| Galena   | 2-7  |

Overall Batting Average  
.202

Leading Hitters

Tom McDonald .304

Jeff Pryor .277

Leading Pitchers

Tom McDonald

Tom Bertoncino

"I looked at the season as a learning experience," said Randy Baca, junior.

"We may not have won a game, but we had a lot of fun trying!" said Mike Waterman, sophomore.



# NO MOMENT *of* GLORY

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verybody tried but not one of the four pitchers was a raging success during the softball season.

The girls who pitched included seniors Dana Davidson and Kerrie Hopkins, sophomore Jodi Van-Leeuwen and freshman Laurie Mlekus.

"This summer I plan on going to the weight room in my spare time. Maybe if I pump some iron like coach keeps telling me, my pitching ability will improve by next spring," said Van-Leeuwen.

"I was really disappointed in the way we played. It seemed as though when one person made a mistake, the whole team got down, not just the person who made the error. As for batting, we need to practice on it a lot more during our scheduled practice time. I think we need to take practice more seriously and not act as if it were just an organized recess!" said Hopkins.

"Not only are we having to develop a second baseman since Kris Palmer has been pressed into catching for freshman Kerrie Goodwin, out with a

broken thumb, but we also are having to break in five freshmen players who have no varsity experience," said Ken Cleland, softball coach.

Improvements were in order for many other experienced upperclassmen.

"My batting has improved tremendously. When I was a freshman, I stunk. I couldn't hit the ball and get on base if my life depended on it. Now I get on base at least twice a night," said Jodi Goodman, senior.

"I've improved on my base running. Stealing is my favorite part of softball. It's a challenge and not everyone on the team can steal," said Palmer.

**SUPER SPORT.** Ready to sweep-up the ball in her glove is junior Sandy Stewart. Stewart says she has improved a lot in stopping grounders. Until this season, she says she was afraid they would hop up and hit her in the face.



**A STEP AHEAD.** After hitting a ball to the second baseman in the second inning of the home game against Riverton, freshman Stacy Kunstel is called safe at first. Kunstel had two-for-three hits during the game. Despite their efforts, the girls lost to Riverton three times this season, 3-8, 8-18, 4-25.



**WHAT IT'S REALLY LIKE.** Disgusted by the pitching and the infield's ability, Coach Ken Cleland waits for the third out.

**RIGHT ON TARGET.** In a home game against Riverton, senior Kerrie Hopkins tries to pitch strikes. During practices, Hopkins must pitch 60 strikes.







**SOFTBALL.** Front Row: Coach Ken Cleland, Kelly Robertson, Jodi Goodman, Dana Davidson, Kris Palmer, Rita Crain, Coach Larry Yartz. Second Row: Mary Ann Blessent, Sandy Stewart, Michele Henrie, Kerrie Hopkins, Mitzi Tims, Cheryl McDowell. Back Row: Tracey Waterman, Jodi VanLeeuwen, Stacy Kunstel, Laurie Mlekus, Jackie Toschi, Amy Zerngast.

"My batting improved mainly due to the use of our pitching machine. Coach Cleland had us working with the machine a lot during the start of the season," said Laurie Mlekus, freshman.

"My fielding has improved most this season. I'm more aggressive this year and more ready to play than last year," said Kerrie Hopkins, senior.

## SCOREBOARD

*Wins - 4*

|                        |       |
|------------------------|-------|
| Galena                 | 5-16  |
| Galena                 | 12-14 |
| Northeast Tourney      |       |
| Riverton               | 3-8   |
| Galena                 | 13-12 |
| Baxter Springs         | 0-3   |
| Baxter Springs         | 8-22  |
| Baxter Springs         | 4-14  |
| Jasper                 | 14-4  |
| Jasper                 | 22-2  |
| Riverton               | 8-18  |
| Riverton               | 4-25  |
| Baxter Springs Tourney |       |

*Losses - 10*

|                |       |
|----------------|-------|
| Baxter Springs | 2-8   |
| Jasper         | 6-1   |
| Galena         | 16-17 |
| Galena         | 16-3  |
| Galena         | 19-4  |

Overall Batting Average  
.362

Leading Hitters  
Mary Ann Blessent  
Tracey Waterman  
Kerrie Hopkins  
Leading Pitcher  
Jodi VanLeeuwen



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**WATCHING AND WAITING.** Waiting between innings during the Northeast tournament April 18 are sophomore Jodi VanLeeuwen, freshmen Laurie Mlekus and Kerrie Goodwin and junior Kris Palmer.



# THE TIES *that* BIND

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lose ties bound the track team together for two-and-one-half long months of track.

From the first day of practice on March 9 to the regional meet on May 22, the members on the team stayed as close as a family. Even when the number of the team dropped, the spirit remained high.

"With a small track team it is easy to get along. Everybody knows what everybody else's events are so when you're not in an event, you can go and cheer your teammates on," said Todd Pyle, junior. "Our team was really close and it made my first year of track a lot of fun."

"Since the team is like one big family, I feel like I have to do the best I can, but if it isn't a good day, I look to them for support" said Luana Fleury, junior.

"We all help each other. When someone's running a race or throwing in a field event, someone is always there to cheer them on. We're all in it, not as individuals, but as a team who are all very close," said Aaron Cronister, junior.

"Some people think you aren't any good if you have a small team, but I think there are a lot of advantages to a small team. On a small team you are usually close to everyone else on the

team. Having a small team also builds a lot of friendships," said Pete Galindo, junior.

"When we go to track meets, we are usually the smallest team there, but we are also the closest team there. We all stick track out together, through the good times and the bad. Being as small as we are helps us all be really good friends. We always have a good time at practice and at the meets," said Vester Lawson, junior.

"I've been out for track for all four years of high school, and we've always had a small team. With baseball and softball, not many people go out for track. But the ones who go out for track are always close, especially this year," said Doug Patterson, senior.

According to junior Sherri Giordano, the closeness of the team brought a lot of support and caring.

**POWER PLAY.** At the Southeast Invitational Track Meet, junior Pete Galindo throws the shot put. Galindo won the event with a throw of 44-feet-11-inches. Galindo was a state competitor at the 1986 Kansas State Track Meet.

**FRIENDLY COMPETITION.** After finishing the mile run at the Southeast Invitational Track Meet, sophomore David Lawson is congratulated by a competitor from Frontenac. Lawson was the only member on the team who was eligible to compete in jayvee track meets.



**TRACK TEAM.** Front Row: Head Coach Bill Harman, Sherri Giordano, Luana Fleury, Lynetta Younge, Assistant Coach Alan Roberts.

Back Row: Todd Pyle, Doug Patterson, Aaron Cronister, Vester Lawson, Pete Galindo, David Lawson.



**EXTRA EFFORT.** Form makes all the difference for junior Sherri Giordano as she throws the discus 89-feet-8½-inches. Giordano finished fourth at the Southeast Invitational Track Meet.



**A REAL SWINGER.** Before throwing the discus at the Southeast Invitational Track Meet, junior Todd Pyle warms up. Pyle threw the discus 104-feet-5 inches but didn't place at the 15-team meet.

**GOING FOR GOLD.** While competing in the Southeast Invitational Track Meet at Cherokee, Luana Fleury, junior, throws the shot put. Fleury finished fifth with a throw of 28-feet-6-inches.



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**GOING THE DISTANCE.** Rounding the curve at the end of the half mile at the Southeast Invitational Track Meet, junior Vester Lawson leads the other competitors to finish sixth with a time of 2:20.

"A lot of people think we're crazy for going out for track, and sometimes I agree. But the closeness and the friendships on the team make all the hard practices and meets worthwhile," said Lynetta Younge, junior.

"Track is a lot of hard work, but it also has its fun times too. Everybody worked hard this year and encouraged each other. The size of the track team really made us all close," said David Lawson, sophomore.

## SCOREBOARD

Senior Doug Patterson: 200-meter dash 24.52 seconds, 440-meter dash 48.5 seconds, 330-meter intermediate hurdles 45-97 seconds, javelin 136-feet; junior Pete Galindo: shot put 46-feet-4-inches, discus 126-feet-5-inches; junior Vester Lawson: two-mile 11:07 (league meet record), 800-meter dash 2:18.58; junior Aaron Cronister: 330-meter intermediate hurdles 47.9 seconds, 200-meter dash 25.9 seconds, 800-meter dash 2:17; junior Todd Pyle: discus 112-feet; sophomore David Lawson: two-mile 11:23, mile 5:27, javelin 130-feet; junior Luana Fleury: shot put 29-feet-6½-inches, discus 76-feet-4-inches; junior Sherri Giordano: shot put 26-feet-6-inches, discus 90-feet-½-inch; junior Lynetta Younge: 800-meter dash 2:35 (school record), mile 5:59.65 (school record).



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riends flocked to one another to discuss the latest gossip.

Faculty, along with the help of student teachers, lectured their students on information pertinent to their classes.

Administration communicated formally for faculty, fellow board members, banquets and even noisy pep assemblies.

"Well, you know how it is when you get in front of a class for the first time—visions of being in the lion's pit and outrageous things like that, but after the first 12 hours, you can calm down," said Tim Liebeno, government student teacher.

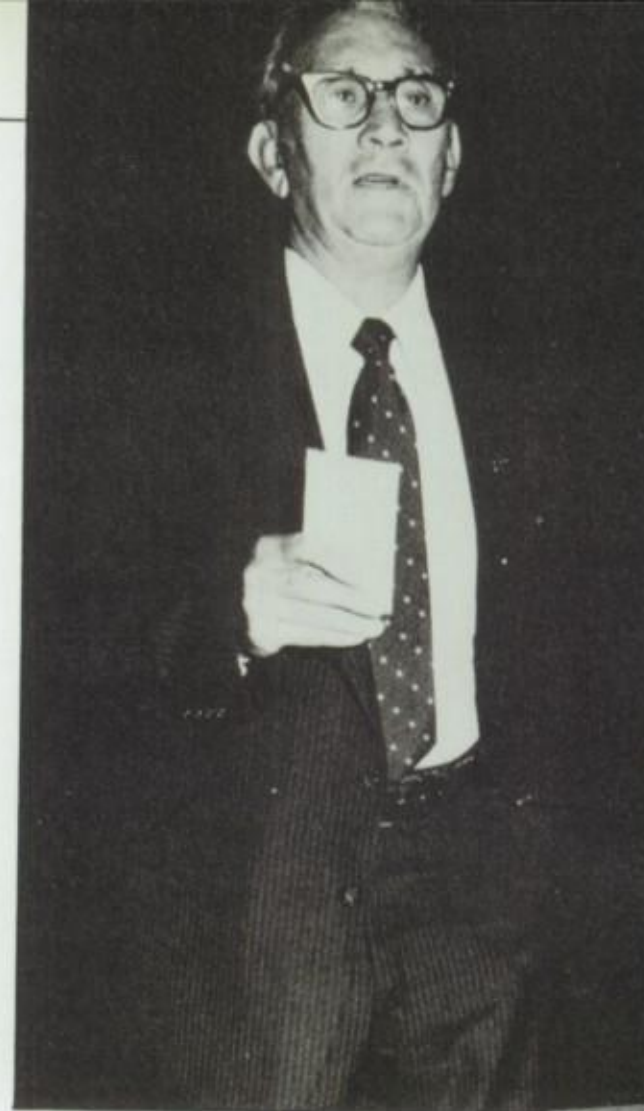
"Sometimes I get nervous talking in front of people in speech class, but then I get used to it," said Bee Kime, senior.

Feelings were expressed in different ways, anywhere from a short "hello" to wacky attire translating into "I'm here!" In those cases, actions definitely spoke louder than words.

"When we had to give speeches for basketball, student council or anything else, I got really, really nervous," said Doug Patterson, senior. "I usually ended up making up what I was going to say as I went along."

No matter what form a person chose to get his point across, verbal or physical, communication still remained the most important aspect of school life.

**THE LONG AND SHORT OF IT.** Giving measurements of his 12-point buck to his brother Tracy Whetzell, Class of '78, Pat Whetzell, sophomore, computes the rack's span. The span measured 21 inches. Whetzell says he is having the head mounted by a taxidermist.



*For Members Only*



**BACK TALK.** Before the football game against Montecito on Oct. 10, Harry McDonald shares 20 years of football coaching memories with the student body to help raise spirit.

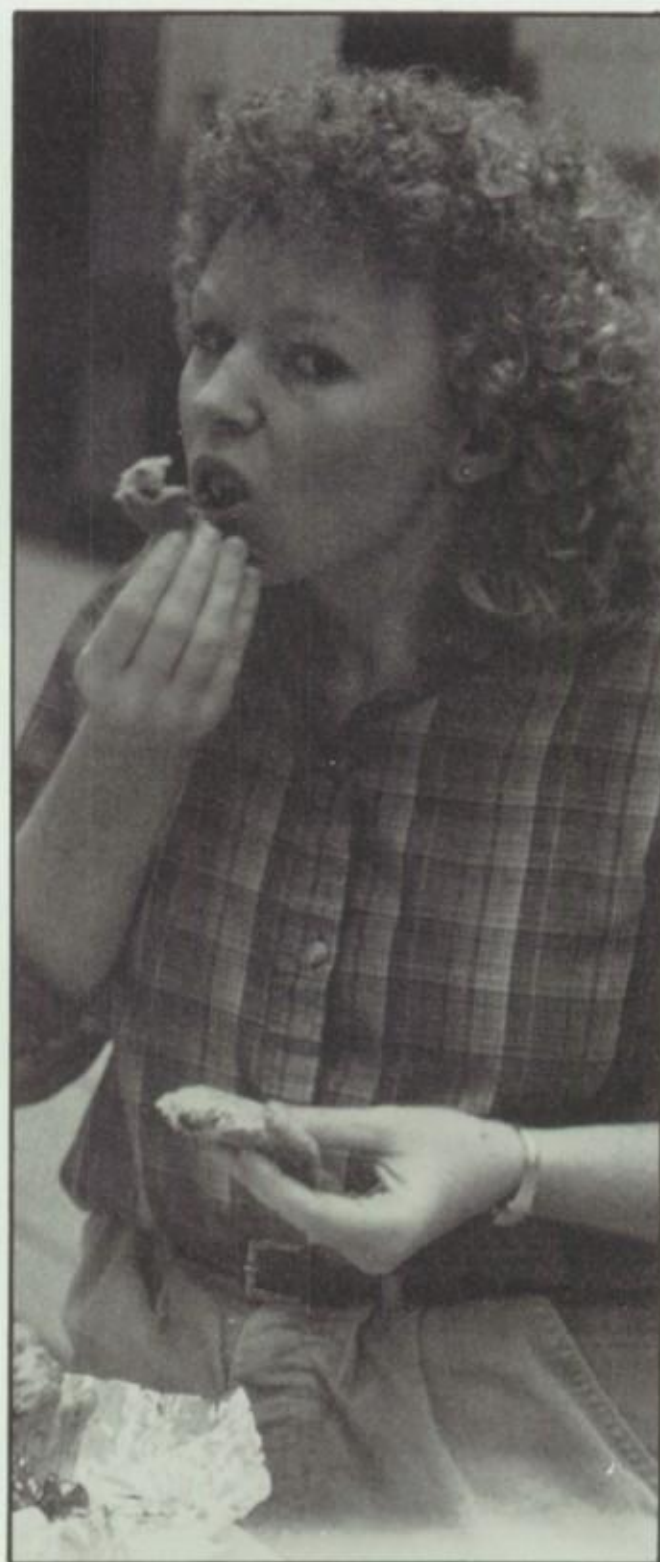
**A DIFFERENT DAZZLE.** Whether or not their dates will approve of their selection is the question Mary Ann Blessent, Nikki Carden and Sandy Stewart, juniors, discuss at Jean Scene.



"Sandy, Sherri, Luana, Mary Ann and I went to Jean Scene and tried on all the formals we could get our hands on. The worst part was trying to get the dresses zipped," said Nikki Carden, junior.



**COOKIE MONSTER.** "Goodbyes" for Patty Martin, student biology teacher, came from the sophomore biology class in the form of homemade chocolate chip cookies. Martin left after one semester of teaching.





# For Members Only DECKED OUT

**W**hat's in? What's out? Whether fads or fashions, they popped up everywhere, especially at school where the biggest trends were overalls, suspender pants, Coca-Cola/Pepsi clothing, friendship bracelets and Swatch watches for the freshmen girls.

"Other widely noticed fashions are silver/gold shoes, silver/gold purses, silver/gold puff hearts, big bulky shirts, Swatch watches, hoop earrings and Reeboks of assorted colors," said Stacy Kunstel, freshman. "The Old West is really hot now too."

"Most of the latest fashions can be found at Maurice's and Brass Buckle on the Pittsburg Mall," said Kerrie Goodwin, freshman.

Another noticeable fad was friendship bracelets.

"When I was on the East Coast this summer, it was a big thing with the high school and college kids," said Kunstel.

"Stacy Kunstel taught me and ever since then I make them in my spare time," said Zerngast. "I keep some of them and trade others with my friends."

Hair accessories were also part of the fad craze.

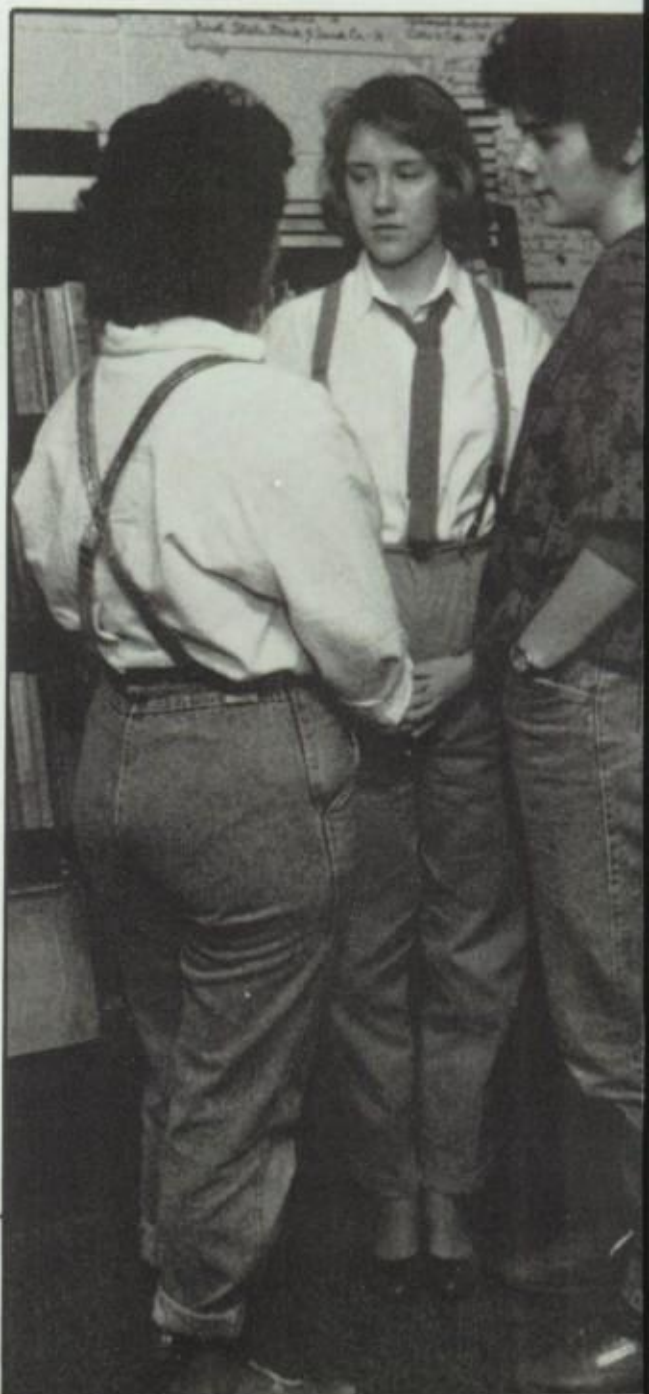
"I wear banana clips to keep my hair out of my face," said Goodwin. "I have red, blue, yellow, white, peach and two shades of pink. I first came into contact with them over the summer in **Seventeen** magazine."

"When I don't have very much time to do anything with my hair, I usually wear banana clips," said Zerngast. "I first came in contact with them at the horseshows I go to."



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**WHAT ARE FRIENDS FOR?** Friendship bracelets make a strong bond between classmates Stacy Kunstel, Kerrie Goodwin and Laurie Mlekus, freshmen. Kunstel first introduced them to her friends. They now trade them with other close friends. Each bracelet is special because it is very time-consuming to make and can be passed on from friend to friend.





**NEW HAIR CRAZE.** With patience Jackie Toschi, freshman, attempts to put a banana clip in classmate Shana King's hair.



Jodi Allen  
Becky Banks  
Nikki Bean  
Sheril Bolejack  
Terri Bridgewater

Joe Broyles  
Chris Bualle  
Clay Carrington  
Jeanette Clark  
Charity Coulter

Richard Crain  
Matthew Cronister  
Christina Crumby  
Rebecca Douglas  
Dawn Endicott

Becky Evans  
Andrea Frye  
Tommy Garrett  
Kerrie Goodwin  
Jimmy Hadley

Cory Hallacy  
Jason Hamblin  
Jeannie Hincey  
Ott Kime  
Shana King

**FASHION CONSCIOUS.** Talking about where they got their suspender pants and how much they cost are Lisa Pitts and Amy Zerngast, freshmen. Tracey Waterman adds that she likes Benetton knits from Italy best of all.



# For Members Only HANGIN' ROUND

**M**oney was no object when it came to buying all the equipment necessary for trapping season. Trappers spend weekends and evenings after school setting and checking traps, hoping to get a big catch to sell for money to re-invest in their favorite sport of all.

"I spent almost \$120 this season on trapping equipment and bait," said Scott Swezey, freshman. "But I made a lot of money selling pelts too."

**TRAPPING TRIO.** Despite cold weather freshmen Jimmy Hadley, Chuck Montanye and Scott Swezey were still able to get out and check traps located south of Mulberry.



Shane Kinsch  
Lance Kocur  
Stacy Kunstel  
Pat Masterson



Laurie Mlekus  
Wayne Palmer  
Rozie Pickle  
Lisa Pitts



Curtis Popejoy  
Kathy Porter  
Joe Pryor  
Eric Redfern



Kelly Robertson  
Craig Spencer  
Scott Swezey  
Jackie Toschi





**POOL SHARKS.** Finding time to play a quick game of pool at Little Gravy's are freshmen Wayne Palmer, Joe Pryor, Craig Spencer and Chad Wickham. Pryor says he enjoys playing a game of pool after school. They also play before home basketball games.



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**UNIQUE SHOW OFF.** Spoons became more than just a utensil to freshman Curtis Popejoy as he successfully hangs them from his face to show off in the fourth-hour freshman English I class.



Michael Totman  
Bobbie Tucker  
Michael Walker

Tracey Waterman  
Dale West  
Lonnie West

Craig White  
Chad Wickham  
Mindy Willey

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**TIME WELL SPENT.** Before a basketball game against Erie, sophomores Shaylon Bennett and Jodi VanLeeuwen study their homework and get a bite to eat at Bennett's house.

**CLOTHES MINDED.** Shopping at Brass Buckle on the Mall in Pittsburg for a new outfit is Rob Stewart, sophomore. Stewart says he buys all his clothes at Brass Buckle.



Greg Banks  
John Barbieri







## For Members Only

# TIME OFF

**R**rrrrring! Just when you think you can't make it through another minute of school, you're saved by the bell. Sixteen hours of freedom translated into a multitude of pursuits for sophomores.

"I go to my parent's store, Banks' Market and eat about four ham sandwiches and anything else I want to eat after school. Then I go and watch TV for about three hours and do my homework," said Greg Banks, sophomore.

"After school I usually have to

**EASY DOES IT.** After school, sophomores John Barbieri and Maurice Henrie eat at Little Gravy's, the popular place before games.

straighten up a little and then I do something with my friends. During volleyball and softball season I spend most of my time at practice after school," said Jodi VanLeeuwen, sophomore.

Though weeknights were filled with homework and practice, weekends were the time for some fun and relaxation.

"What I do on the weekends depends on the weather. If it's nice, I like to wash my car and go cruising on Broadway or go to a movie. On Sunday I go to church and then sleep after dinner," said Banks.

"I like to spend my weekends with my friends," said VanLeeuwen.



Georgiana Bass  
Patty Bass  
Wes Bedene  
Shaylon Bennett  
Tom Bertoncino

Tammy Brooks  
Aime Broyles  
Callie Carrell  
Mary Crowe  
L.J. Dungan

Vercie Gibson  
Sonya Grigsby  
Maurice Henrie  
Buster Hoy  
David Lawson



# For Members Only TALK IT OVER

**7**elephonitis, a highly contagious disease for teenagers, struck one particular profession more than others—babysitters.

"My parents yell when I'm on the phone more than 10 minutes. So when they leave, I run straight for the phone and talk until they come back," said Angela Reinier, sophomore.

"It seems like I live on the phone," said Crystal Scholes, sophomore. "There's not a day that goes by that I'm not gossiping over one thing or another."

"Once I send the kids I'm babysitting off to play in their room or outside, I set myself down with a bag of

chips and talk on the phone for a couple hours," said Jodi VanLeeuwen, sophomore.

"The kids I baby-sit love to talk on the phone as much as I do. So I have to send them to their toy room or to bed before I can call and talk to anyone," said Sonya Grigsby, sophomore.

"Only when I get bored do I call someone while I'm baby-sitting. Most of the time I'm coloring or playing right along with the kids," said Aime Broyles, sophomore.

"I hardly ever call anyone while I'm baby-sitting. Most of the time I just take one of my friends along with me to help stay off the phone," says Melissa Wilson, sophomore.



Chris Malcolm  
Kim Manley  
John McDowell  
Vickie Norris  
Angela Reinier



Warren Rhodes  
Bridger Robinson  
Crystal Scholes  
Rob Stewart  
Donnie Talent



Tuan Tran  
Jodi VanLeeuwen  
Mike Waterman  
Pat Whetzell  
Amy Wilson







#### **CABBAGEPATCH CONVERSATION.**

Baby-sitting Alisa and Jeffery Lovell at her house is Sonya Grigsby, sophomore. They are playing with Grigsby's CabbagePatch Kids she got for Christmas.



Marilyn Wilson  
Melissa Wilson



**CAN WE TALK.** Chit-chatting on the phone to her friend Lashelle Buckner from Clinton, Missouri, is Melissa Wilson, sophomore. Wilson says she calls her friend once a week.



**CHILD'S PLAY.** While baby-sitting her cousin Cassie Buche for the afternoon, Aime Broyles, sophomore, and Buche play a game of **Straight Five**.



# For Members Only **POWER PACK**

**P**riate time equalled doing things for oneself. Self-improvement, outdoor hobbies and indoor hobbies all filled out the picture when juniors shut out the world and concentrated on the big "I."

"I guess my favorite pastime would be reading because it gets me away from things," said Melissa Horton, junior.

"My favorite pastime is listening to the radio because it relaxes me and sometimes puts me to sleep," said Todd Pyle, junior.

"My favorite pastime is anything you can do at the beach in California, because I was raised and frequently visit California," said Kelly Bean, junior.

Reasons why they chose their pastimes varied with the individual.

"My pastime is different from all the rest because you can do it alone," said Horton.

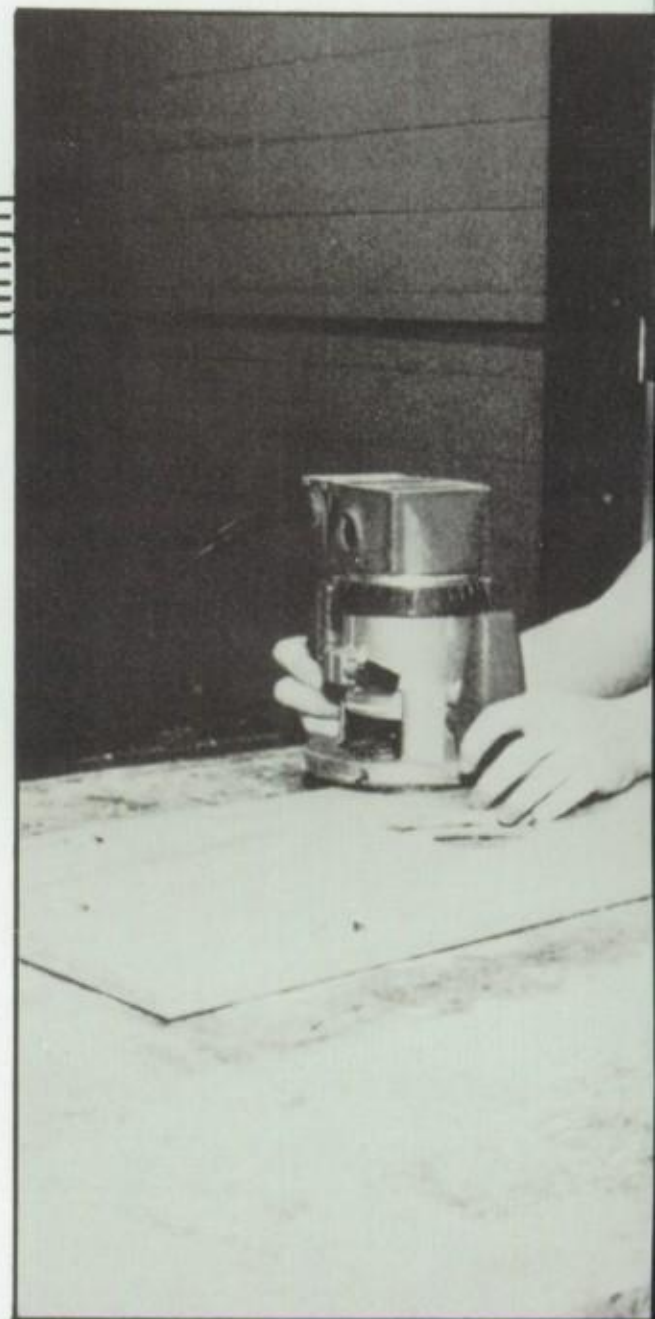
"I like this pastime because I love anything to do with water," said Bean.

"I fish in a pond close to my house with friends on Saturdays, sometimes with Todd Pyle," said Jeff Pryor, junior. "Even when I don't catch anything, it is relaxing, just to be outside."

Pryor said that fishing appealed to him more than hunting because he doesn't like to see animals killed.

"I like to ride horses with Nikki at Shayne's ranch. We try to ride at least twice a week. I also spend a lot of my time playing basketball with friends," said Lynetta Younge, junior.

**TOPS IN THE SHOPS.** On the router trying to put an edge on the side of a board is Aaron Cronister, junior. Cronister is making a quilt stand for his mother.

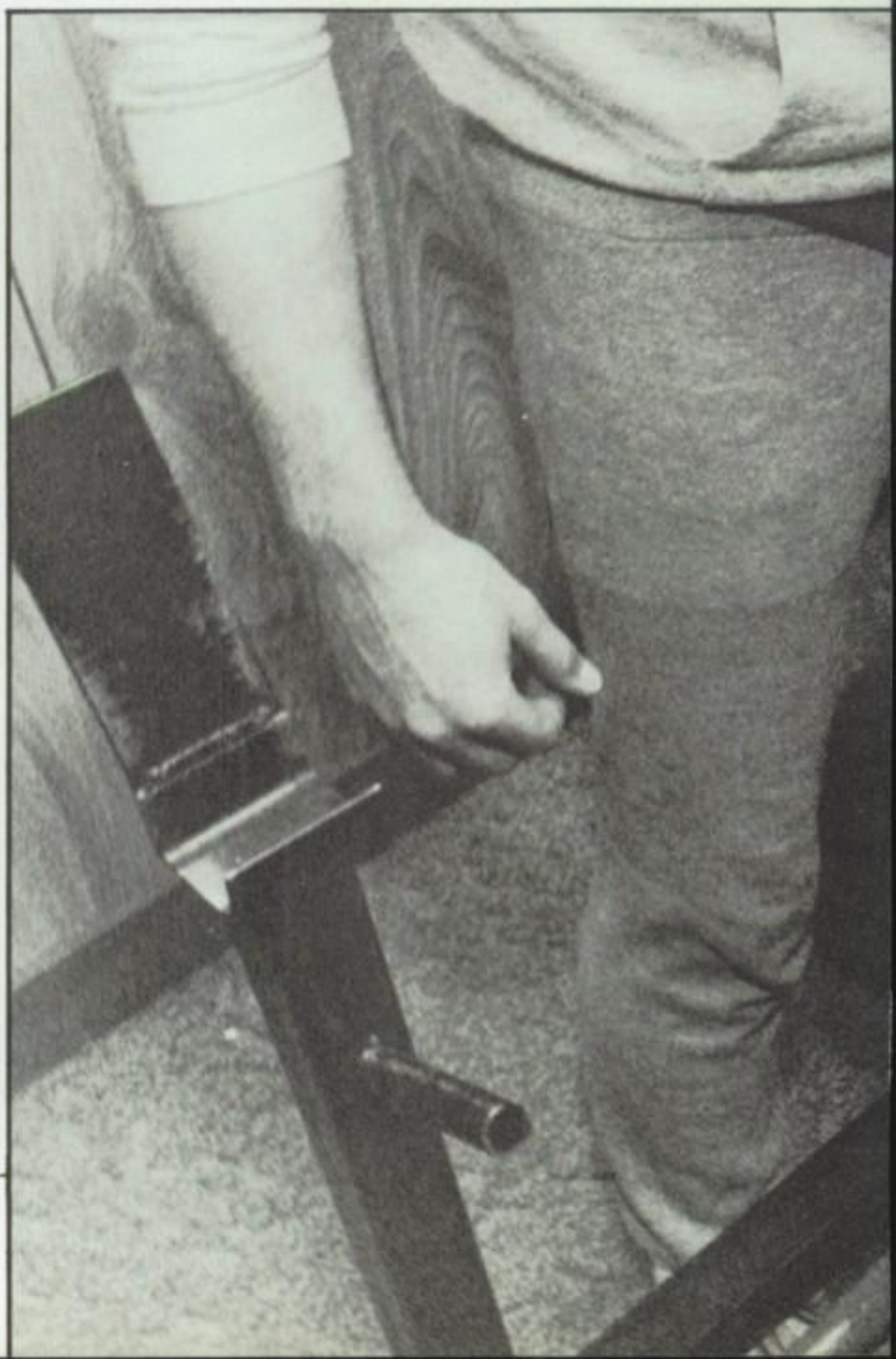


Randy Baca  
Mary Ann Blessent



**ALMOST GOT IT.** Lifting at the weight room to keep his body in shape for track season is Pete Galindo, junior. Galindo broke the school record in bench pressing with 360 pounds.

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Nikki Carden  
Aaron Cronister  
Luana Fleury



Pete Galindo  
Sherri Giordano  
Melissa Horton



Vester Lawson  
Debbie Lenne  
Tom McDonald



**FISHING FEVER.** At the first sign of good weather on a 70 degree day in February, Jeff Pryor, junior, fishes at a pond nearby his home. Pryor says he fishes there often in his free time.



# For Members Only GET GLAMOUR

It was that time of year again. Prom was the consuming thought for red-blooded American junior girls, and they were hot on the trail of the perfect dress to wear to the social event.

"When I went to find a dress, I looked for one that I thought no one else would have. I wanted one that would be an original," said Debbie Lenne, junior.

The styles the girls chose differed with each individual.

"I've always liked full dressed that flare way out, but what really seemed to be in style were the close-fitting, old-fashioned-looking dresses," said Cindy Reinier, junior.

"I picked a dress that was close-

fitting with lace and ruffles all over it. My friends went with me and finally talked me into getting it. I kind of felt like a mermaid in it," said Kris Palmer, junior. "Once I got to dancing, I didn't feel so awkward."

"I liked the big full dresses and the uniqueness of them. I also liked the close-fitting dresses if you had the right shape for them," said Lynetta Younge, junior.

"I bought a tea-length dress, and I'm really glad I did. It was easier to dance in, and I didn't get as hot this year," said Mary Ann Blessent, junior.

"I got a long full dress that was black with a big bow and ruffles in back. I also bought all the accessories to go with it including a garter that had '87 on it," said Nikki Carden, junior.



Kristi Montanelli  
Jack Morris  
Kris Palmer  
Jeff Pryor



Todd Pyle  
Cindy Reinier  
Vicki Rhodes  
David Robinson



Buddy Sherman  
Sandy Stewart  
Lisa Swoger  
Lynetta Younge







**GLAMOUR GIRLS.** Trying to show Mary Ann Blessent, junior, how to slip on the gloves that match her dress without ripping them are Nikki Carden and Sandy Stewart, juniors.



**THE GLAMOUR GOES ON.** Fairytale formals are available at Jean Scene. Sherri Giordano and Luana Fleury, juniors, each try on one of the 300 dresses that were in stock before prom.

**DRESS DISTRESS.** After trying on dresses for about an hour at Jean Scene, Sherri Giordano and Luana Fleury, juniors, try to decide on the one they want. The prices ranged from \$130 to \$400.



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Kelly Bean  
Tina Montanye



**LEADERS HAVE TASTE.** Marvin F. Bualle, principal, takes time out to look at class rings with the sophomores. Bualle says working with kids is the best part of his job.

**VISION QUEST.** Warm weather brings about new duties for vice-principal and English teacher John Underwood as he supervises during lunch hour. Underwood says he enjoys being outside in the spring.

**ATTENTION TO DETAIL.** Typing USD 246 W-2 forms is Betty Kirksey. Kirksey has been employed as clerk for 21 years and retired in January to work as a part-time secretary.



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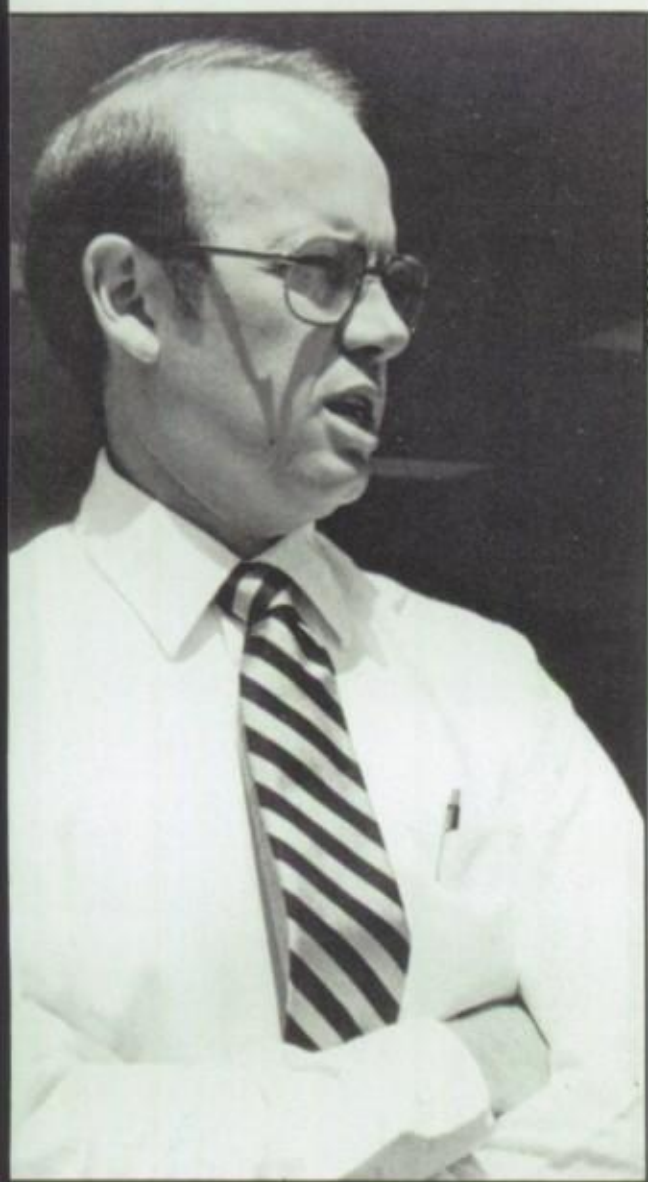


**IMPORTANT FACE IN THE CROWD.** Samuel J. Nicoletti, superintendent, watches a home basketball game. Nicoletti, as superintendent, surveys roads in the school district every morning.

**FOR THE RECORD.** USD 246 board of education members are Barney Maxfield, treasurer, and Marilyn Snider, clerk. Snider took over the position of clerk in January.



# For Members Only GOOD SPORTS



**Q**ualities of behavior characterized by generosity and genuine concern for others" was how the Kansas State High School Activities Association defined sportsmanship.

School administrators from the nine Crawford-Neosho-Cherokee League schools met with the KSHSAA to formulate the sportsmanship creed.

Principal Marvin F. Bualle, along with Jake McFarland and Bob Estes, principals from Girard and Southeast Cherokee, respectively, worked together on the committee which wrote the creed.

"We handed copies of the creed out at all basketball games and to all our students and faculty," Bualle said.

The eight guidelines in the creed include to "be courteous to oppo-

nents, fans and cheerleaders; be considerate in your behavior toward everyone present; respect and abide by the official's decision; exercise self-control at all times; never boo an official, coach, cheerleader or player; display character in your every action; learn to win with character and lose with dignity; display appreciation for a good performance or play regardless of the team."

"I think our school is pretty good at sportsmanship. Sometimes too much emphasis is put on winning and too little on the other aspects of the game. I feel sportsmanship is one of the most important aspects of high school athletics," said John Underwood, vice-principal.

"I feel that the CNC League has always shown good sportsmanship. All the schools compete very well yet walk away friends," said Bualle.



**BOARD OF EDUCATION.** Members include Violet Pazzi, vice-president, and Deborah Schaub, president, seated. Standing are Rick Elnicki, Gary McDonald, Brent Bedene, William G. Montee and Pat Walden. The board meets on

the first Monday of each month. Meetings start at 7 p.m. and sometimes continue until 12 or 1 a.m. The board of education makes all the regulations for the entire school district.



# For Members Only COLLECTIBLES

**C**hildish things still permeated seniors' private lives, things they said they had no intention of being embarrassed about.

"We were teaching my little nephew to crawl so I was crawling around with a bottle in one hand and a Pound Puppy in the other hand. I crawled all over the house," said Tanja Buchanan, senior.

Whether it was pillow fighting, watching cartoons, coloring with brothers and sisters or crawling on the floor like a child, seniors admitted

**M-I-C-K-E-Y M-O-U-S-E.** Mitzi Tims, senior, and her sister Jessica look over postcards Tims got at Disney World last summer. Tims says she has Disney animals, ears, shirts, shoes and earrings.

they practiced childish behavior whenever the mood struck or the situation demanded.

"I act like a baby around my mother and do anything in my power to be a real pain," said Elaine Blair, senior.

"I still like to watch cartoons after school and on the weekends," said Kenny Prettyman, senior.

Senior Paul Christman regressed when he got his new pup. "He was so cute, and his head came to a point!" said Christman.

**HOOKED ON BEARS.** Dana Davidson, senior, tucks her Bedtime Bear back to her bedroom ceiling. Davidson says her collection started when her mother bought her Grumpy Bear.







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**BELIEVE IN MAGIC.** Giggling over their make-believe unicorn battle are Ruth Gibson and Elaine Blair, seniors. Gibson's collection was influenced by her aunt, who gave her the first of 40 unicorns, all of which decorate her bedroom



**LISA BALDWIN**—Class Officer 2,3; Regional Journalism Contest 2,3; State Journalism Contest 3; Pep Club Officer 3; FHA 1,2,3,4; FHA Officer 3,4.

**ELAINE BLAIR**—Librarian Assistant 3; Pep Club 1,2; FHA 3,4.

**TANJA BUCHANAN**—Newspaper 2,3,4; Yearbook 2,3,4; National Community/Index Editor 2; Yearbook Co-Editor 4; Advertising Editor 2,3; People Co-Editor 3.



**PAUL CHRISTMAN**—Class Officer 2; Boys' State Representative 3; Student Council 3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 4; Baseball 2,3,4.

**KATHY COLLINS**—National Honor Society 2,3; National Honor Society Officer 4; Band 1,2,3,4; Four-State Band 3,4; District Jazz Band 4; Student Council 2,3,4.

**DANA DAVIDSON**—Class Officer 3,4; Student Council 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Volleyball 1,2,3,4; Varsity Cheerleader 2,3,4; Softball 1,2,3,4.



# For Members Only

# DAILY BORES

**'D**id you feed the dog like I told you to? Did you make your bed? Take the trash out or you're grounded! The lawn needs mowing!"

Boring, boring chores struck discordant notes when parents hopped on the command wagon. But necessary they were if peace were to continue in the family.

"I really don't mind doing chores, but there are times when I wish I had a brother or sister to help do them," said Dana Davidson, senior.

"Usually, the only chores that I have to do are not permanent ones, but Mom expects me to load and unload the dishwasher, fold clothes and clean my room. A lot of times I help

start dinner, although Mom doesn't expect me to," said Michele Henrie, senior.

Brain power heated up to maximum to avoid chores when the thought of work became unbearable.

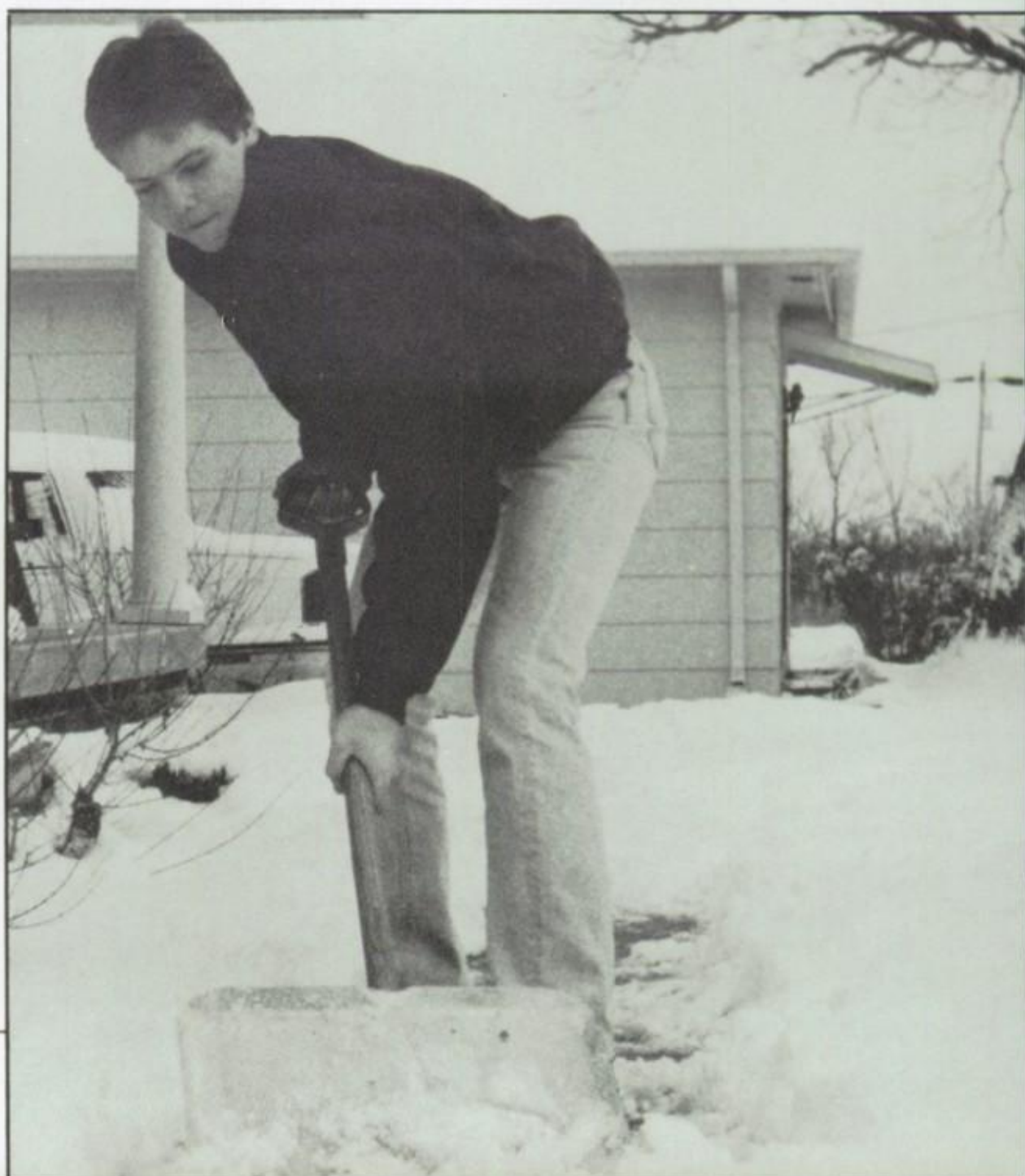
"I've told my Mom everything from 'I don't feel good' to 'I can't; I've got too much homework' to 'I have to practice my trombone' to get out of doing chores," said Kathy Collins, senior.

"I've even told my Mom that I hurt my leg or knee at practice, and it hurts to move it to try to get out of doing things around the house. But no matter what excuses I give, it never seems to matter with her," said Jodi Goodman, senior.



**FINISHING TOUCH.** One of senior Kerrie Hopkins' morning tasks is making her bed before school. Hopkins admits she sometimes lets the task go unattended when she is late for school.

**WINTER'S RAW EDGE.** Shoveling snow off the sidewalk at his house is senior Jamey Rawlings. The 8-inch snow which started January 15 cancelled school and stuck to the parking lot eight days.







**FIT TO BE TIED.** One chore that Randy Morsette, senior, is required to do is to take out the trash. Morsette takes the trash out two times a week at his home in Mulberry.

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**OUTSIDE INTERESTS.** Despite the cold weather, feeding his horse Blaze is part of senior Dale Hunkele's daily routine. Hunkele owns seven horses, which he is required to feed twice a day during cold weather.

**BUBBLE CHORE.** A daily duty for senior Cheryl McDowell after school is to do the dishes. McDowell says that doing the dishes isn't one of her favorite jobs, but it has to be done.



# For Members Only LIVE A LITTLE

**E** ouch potato time. Vegetomatic incorporated. Loose time off with nothing to do found seniors in rest-and-relaxation moods.

"I don't get much time when I'm just sitting around with nothing to do, but when I do have spare time, I like to watch T.V.," said Barbie Hines, senior. "*Growing Pains* and *Who's the Boss* are my favorites."

"I like to watch T.V. in my free time," said Bee Kime, senior. "I also like to listen to 92FM when I'm doing nothing else."

"T.V. is boring. I only watch it when there is nothing else to do. I'd just hate to get hooked on it—espe-

**BABY MAGIC.** The Arcadia Game Room is the popular hang-out for senior Tanja Buchanan and her nephew Matthew, who loves **Pac Man**.

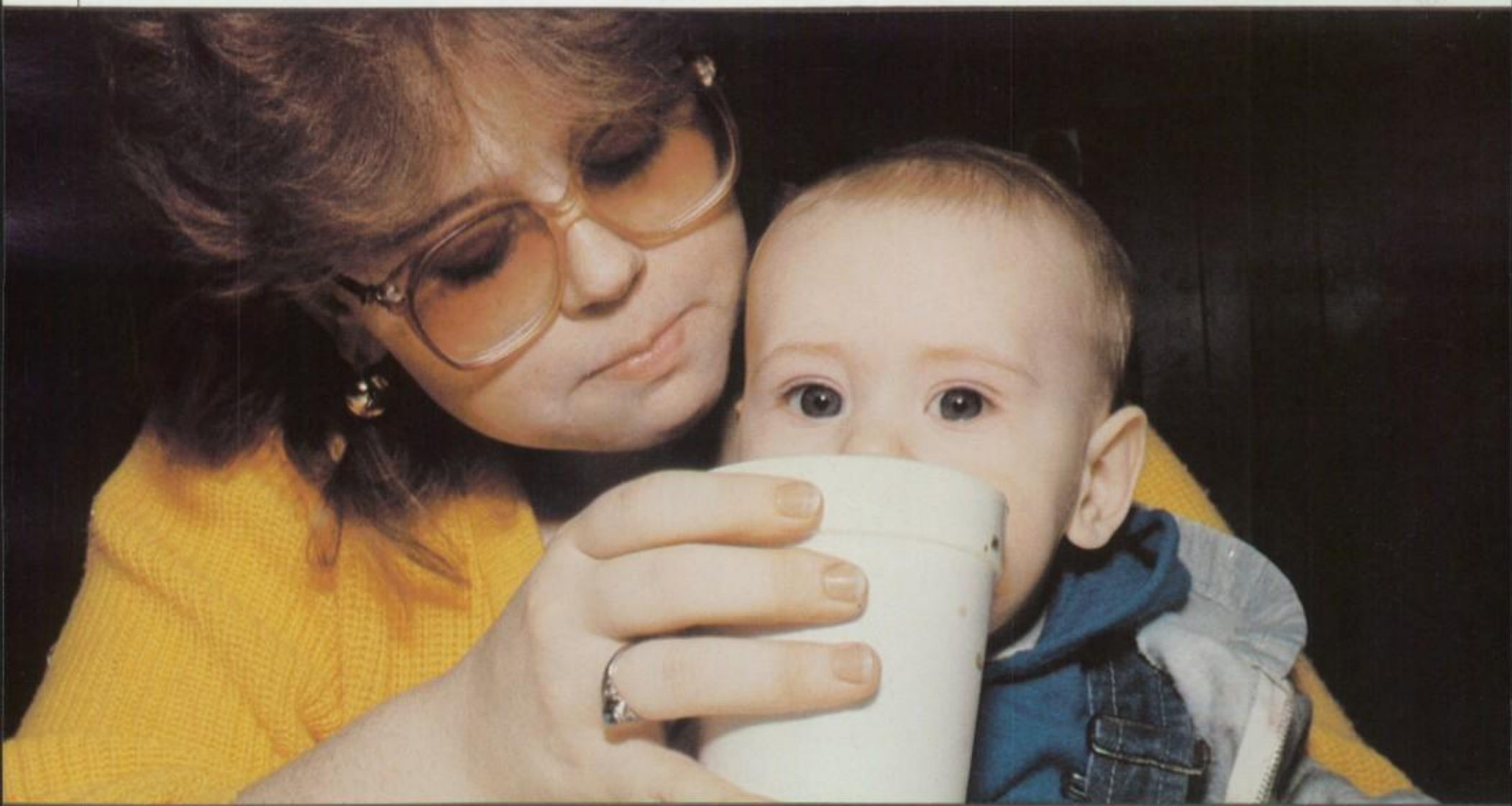
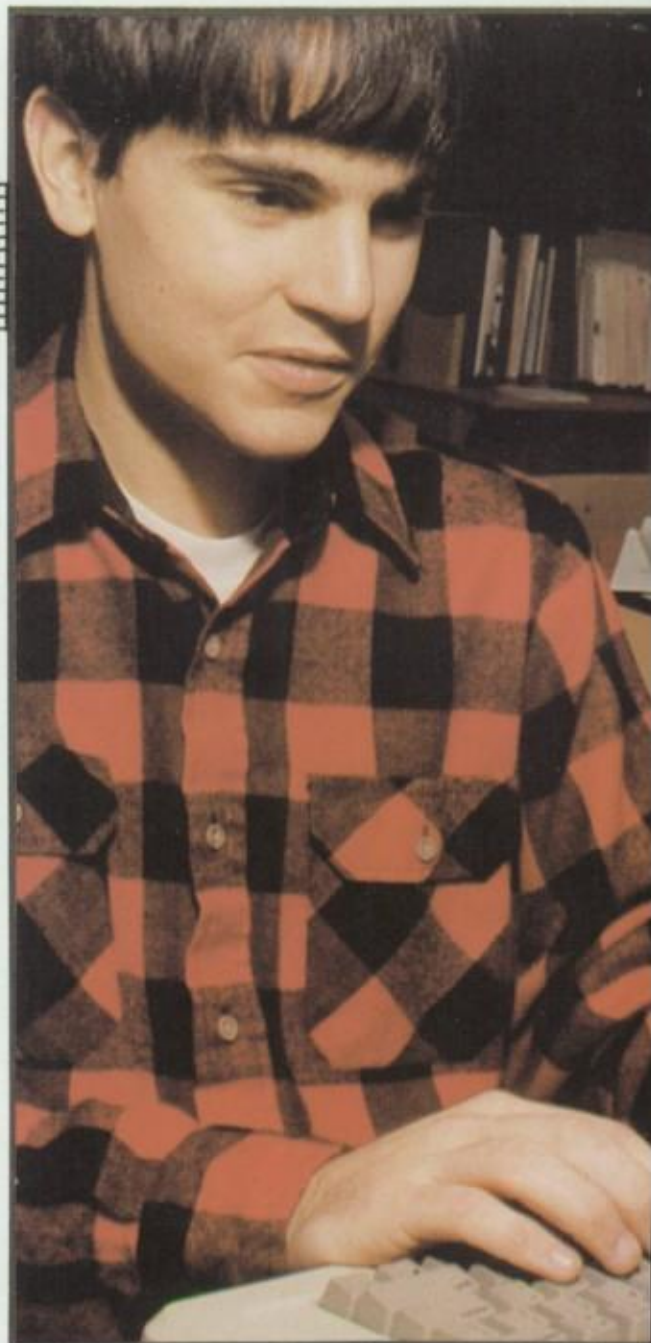
cially soap operas," said Mike Schroeder, senior.

Some students tried to stray from watching too much television by spending their extra minutes doing something they felt was more productive.

"In my free time I like to play basketball. Most of the time I play basketball with Michele and Moe Henrie in Mulberry," said Doug Patterson, senior.

"When I have any time to waste, I play the piano. Usually I pick out music I've never played before and try to learn it," said Kathy Collins, senior. "I have a lot of fun playing the piano and in the process I learn."

**KEYMASTER.** Working on the school computer, Jim Giordano, senior, often takes a break from classes to play games such as **Olympic Decathlon**.







**TROY EVANS**—Football 1,2,3,4; Baseball 1; Weight Club 1,2,3,4; Track 3; Student Council 3; Football King 4.

**RUTH GIBSON**—Class Officer 3; Librarian Assistant 4; Band 1,2; District Music Festival 1,2; Varsity Cheerleader 4; FHA 1,2,3,4.

**JIM GIORDANO**—Football Manager 1,2,3,4; Librarian Assistant 4; Boys' State Representative 3; Science Fair 3,4.



**JODI GOODMAN**—Student Council 1,2,3,4; Student Council Officer 3,4; Volleyball 1,2,3,4; FHA 1,3,4; FHA Officer 4; Softball 1,2,3,4.

**MICHELE HENRIE**—Class Officer 2,3,4; National Honor Society Officer 4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Volleyball 1,2,3,4; FHA Officer 2,3,4; Softball 1,2,3,4.

**BARBIE HINES**—Band 1,2; Pep Club 1,2,3; Pep Club Officer 3; Football Queen Attendant 4; FHA 1,2,3,4; FHA Officer 3.



**KERRIE HOPKINS**—Volleyball 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Softball 1,2,3,4; Varsity Cheerleader 2,3,4; Class Officer 4; Student Council 1,2,3,4.

**WILLIAM DALE HUNKELE**—Rodeo 1; Saddle Club 1,2,3,4; Science Fair 4; Football 1; Boys' State Representative Alternate 3; Gifted Education 2,3,4.

**BEE KIME**—FHA 2,3.



**ONE ON ONE.** With a fake to the left and a drive to the right, senior Doug Patterson tries to get past his defender, senior Doug Tran. The two boys chose a Friday afternoon to play basketball at the Arma Elementary School.



# For Members Only BEST-SELLERS

**C**ertain THINGS are worth the price, even when they are pricier than they should be. Quality of life rested on the ability to own the right stuff.

Pepe jeans led the lists of the right stuff at \$40 a pair, a price \$24 higher than Levi 501's, which the majority of the student body bought for \$16.

Reeboks, in black and red and bright blue, proved to be more of a bargain than some items because they cost \$36 to \$40 while the old standard Nikes still hovered around \$46 a pair. Brooks high tops were on the scene too, but at a price of \$58, which made them the choice of fewer tennis shoe fans.

Two-hundred sheets of notebook paper ran \$1.49 while two number-two pencils were 25 cents.

Letter jackets cost around \$100 and class rings ranged from \$100 to \$230.

Prices of other essentials were 22 cents for a stamp to mail a letter, 35 cents for a candy bar and 59 cents for a taco.

Unleaded gas was 78.9; regular was 76.9, both the result of a collapse of oil prices.

Pepsi stalled at \$1.29 for a 2-liter bottle and Dorito chips sold for \$1.49 for a medium-sized bag. Large pizzas were \$10.75 without extra toppings.

*Seventeen* magazine was \$1.50 an issue and *Sports Illustrated* was \$2.25. Admission to the Mall Cinema was \$3.50, except at prime time when tickets were reduced to \$2.

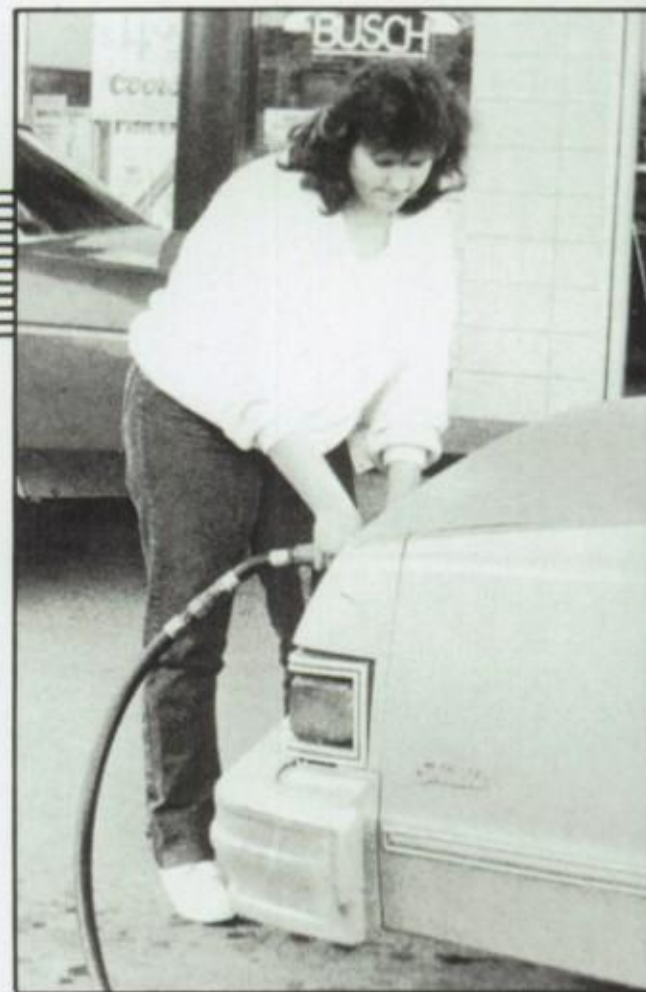
Cassette tapes cost around \$7.95

**SNACK ATTACK.** One of the favorite places to buy junkfood is the Arma Express. Senior Kenny Prettyman sorts through all the different kinds and decides on a Snickers.

apiece and came in as the priority purchase for everyone after jeans and tennis shoes.

Polo cologne, the boys' favorite, cost \$12 for a 1.5-ounce bottle. Girls' favorite, Georgio cologne, was \$45 for a 3-ounce bottle. The biggest price tag of all was attached to the most popular car, \$13,000 for a 1987 Camaro.

**BEING FUELISH.** Pumping the usual \$2 in gas in her Chevy Malibu, Lisa Baldwin, senior, accidentally goes over one cent.







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**SIZE SEARCH.** The most popular brand of jeans, 501 Levis, are a bargain at John's Sports Center in Pittsburg for \$16. Marc Schroeder, senior, and his wife Carol look for a size 31 waist and 32 length to fit Schroeder.

**FOOD FOR TALK.** The top priority of the meal at McDonald's is to discuss the wedding plans for senior Kelly Willey, who became engaged at Christmas. Barbie Hines, senior, Willey and Elaine Blair, senior, tease about the bride tripping.





# For Members Only

## NO BACK TALK

**P**ets never talk back. Pets never gripe anyone out. So what's a wet puddle or two when a creature is so loving, trusting and understanding?

Seniors said they loved their pets, sometimes even more than they did their friends.

"I would probably rather give up my best friend before I would give up my dog Cocoa. He never gets mad at me or fights with me," said Dana Davidson, senior.

"I would give up my best friend before I would give up my dog Gizmo," said Jodi Goodman, senior. "Gizmo never goes out on dates; therefore, he is always home to listen to me, and he never talks back or gives bad advice."

"My dog Polky always loves me and never yells at me, even when I do something wrong," said Mitzi Tims, senior.

Pets not only provided undying love for their owners, they also provided humor.

"One day my cocker spaniel Skippy relieved himself on Paul Christman's leg," said Kenny Prettyman, senior.

"My cat Amity loves to play in grocery sacks," said Lisa Baldwin, senior. "Sometimes it's like watching

**PUPPY LOVE.** Jodi Goodman, senior, treats her puppies, Gizmo and Angel, as if they are her own children. Goodman says that she enjoys her puppies' love and friendship.

a circus when Amity gets started performing."

"I remember one time when my dog Summer flattened the mailman's tires by biting them," said Mike Schroeder, senior.

"When Gizmo gets excited, he snorts like a bull," said Goodman.

"Polky barks and chases his tail," said Tims, "He looks like he is dancing sometimes."

"Cocoa has more toys than I did when I was a child, and he plays with all of them," said Davidson.

**HARD TO HOLD.** Larry Bird is shown off by Kathy Collins, senior, just before he escapes to fly around the room. Collins named the parakeet after one of her favorite basketball stars.

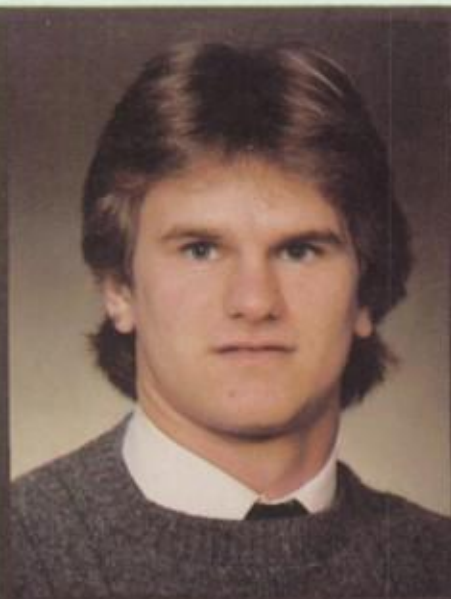






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**HERE CHICKY, CHICKY.** Bee Kime, senior, takes over her brother's regular job of feeding the chickens. Kime says she doesn't mind helping out when she is needed.



**CHERYL McDOWELL**—Volleyball 3,4; FHA 2,3,4; Softball 2,3,4.

**RANDY MORSETTE**—District Speech Festival 1,2; Track 1; Weight Club 3.

**DOUG PATTERSON**—Student Council Officer 3,4; State Journalism Contest 3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; CNC Science & Art Fair 1,2,3,4; CNC Second Team Offense & Second Team Defense 4.



**KENNY PRETTYMAN**—Boys' State Representative 3; Newspaper 2; Band 1,2,3,4; State Music Festival 1; District Music Festival 1,2,3,4; Weight Club 1,2,3,4.

**JAMEY RAWLINGS**—Class Officer 1; Newspaper 2; Regional Journalism Contest 2; Football 1,4; Basketball 1; Baseball 1,2,3,4.

**MARC SCHROEDER**—Football 4; Student Council 2,3; Weight Club 1,2,3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; State Speech Festival 2; State Music Festival 2,3.



**MAKE ME LAUGH.** Mike Schroeder, senior, reads the cartoon section of the **Morning Sun**. Schroeder says his favorite cartoon in the **Morning Sun** is "Frank and Ernest," and his all-time favorite is the "Farside," which appears in the Kansas City paper.

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**LATEST STYLES.** Looking at one of the most popular magazines, **Seventeen**, is Rita Crain, senior. **Seventeen** is popular not only for browsing but also for research. **Seventeen** is kept in the reference desk so it won't disappear.

**I LOVE ROCK-N-ROLL.** Jammin' out to her favorite group Bon Jovi at noon hour is Bee Kime, senior. Kime is listening to Bon Jovi's first tape **Bon Jovi**. Kime says in her room at home she has posters of Bon Jovi hanging all over the walls.





# For Members Only WHAT'S HOT!



**L**evi 501 wearers outnumbered Lee jean lovers 46 to 27. All 124 students surveyed had a favorite brand of jeans, however, because 98 percent of them said they wore denim to school.

"Wranglers are my favorite jeans because they are cut especially for boots and because the White Knight of country music, George Strait, wears them. They also have a way of making everybody look better," said Nikki Carden, junior.

"Levi 501's are my favorite jeans because they are very comfortable and stay good for a long time," said J.P. Totman, senior.

The survey turned up some overwhelming favorites such as the movie *Top Gun* followed distantly by *The Golden Child*. Tom Cruise was the top-rated actor and Molly Ringwald was the top-rated actress.

Pepsi ran right over its rival Coca Cola. In fact, Dr. Pepper took second among soda pop fiends. Coke trailed in third place.

Bugs Bunny won for best cartoon, and man's trusted friend, the dog, placed first as the best animal.

*The Hobbit* scored highest in the book category. Favorite newspaper was *The Morning Sun* and most frequently read magazines were *Seventeen* and *Sports Illustrated*, depending on the sex of the reader.

Television was back even stronger than listening to music as the favorite pastime. The favorite show was the *Cosby Show*.

Music was still important in all forms though. Rock was the genre of choice. "You Give Love a Bad Name" rated top song. Video of the year was "Land of Confusion." Madonna was best singer and Bon Jovi

best group.

Football topped the list for best-liked sport, and Jim McMahon was the man as far as favorite sports star.

Pizza at Pizza Hut was the food and the place to eat of the hour. Second were tacos at Taco Bell followed by a Big Mac and fries at McDonalds. For dress-up meals Jim's Steak House in Pittsburg led the way.

The Pittsburg Mall turned up as the favorite place to shop and to hang out.

"Any time I have free on the weekends, I head to the Mall with friends," said Mitzi Tims, senior.

"We spend all our school clothes money at Maurices on the Mall," said Luana Fleury and Sherri Giordano, juniors. "That is my favorite place to shop besides Brass Buckle, Wal-Mart and K Mart," said Fleury.

Even though black and colored Reeboks were gaining on them, Nikes kept their number-one position for footwear.

The holiday of choice was Christmas, by a 90 to 34 margin.

"The time off from school made me choose Christmas vacation as first for holidays," said Dana Davidson. "Plus, I like the presents and the family dinners. And I get to play with Cocoa, my brown poodle."

Die-hard car hit of the year was the Chevy, in all forms from the Corvette to the Camaro.

Persons with the most respect reserved for them were boyfriends and girlfriends. Survey results indicated that no one would lie to a boyfriend or a girlfriend while nearly everyone would lie to a teacher.

The favorite time of day, undeniably, was 3 p.m., when the final bell sounded to let school out for another day.



# For Members Only

# EASY MONEY

**R**ush! Rush! Rush! A matter of juggling school assignments, social life, athletics and jobs. Seniors wrote the how-to book on that balancing act.

"My job really doesn't take away from much of my social life or homework. But also I'm not involved in any athletics so I have more time than others," said Dale Hunkele, senior.

"I rarely have wasted time," said Paul Christman, senior. "I wake up and go to school, go to practice or ball games. Then I go straight to work. I get home usually around 12:30 at night, then do my homework. It can be tiring, but the money

is worth it."

Only 14 out of 29 seniors worked during school. Whether or not they felt pressure depended on how many hours a week they worked.

"My job is really pretty easy, because it's just a weekend job," said Kelly Willey, senior. "I still have plenty of time for my social life and my school work and activities. But sometimes I wish I had a full-time job instead of part-time."

The senior who worked the most every week was Kenny Prettyman, clocking in a total of 30 hours after school and on weekends at Arma IGA. "Band is my only activity besides school," said Prettyman.



**MIKE SCHROEDER**—Student Council 3; Band 1,2,3,4; State Music Festival 3,4; District Music Festival 1,2,3,4; Regional Music Festival 1,2,3,4; Gifted Education 2,3,4.

**MITZI TIMS**—Student Council 3,4; Newspaper 2; Journalism Education Association Write-Off Contest 2; Pep Club Officer 3; FHA Officer 2,3,4; FHA Member of the Year 2.

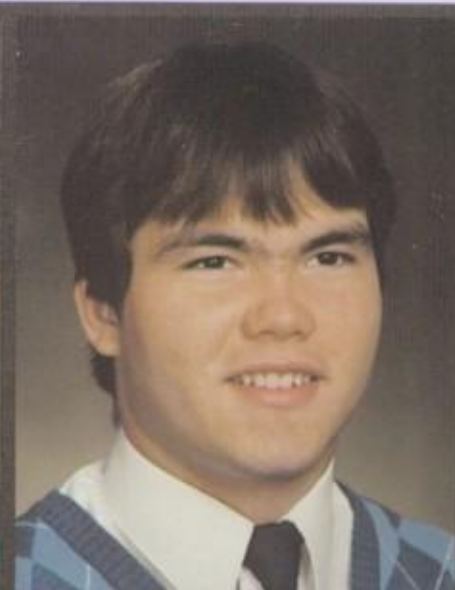
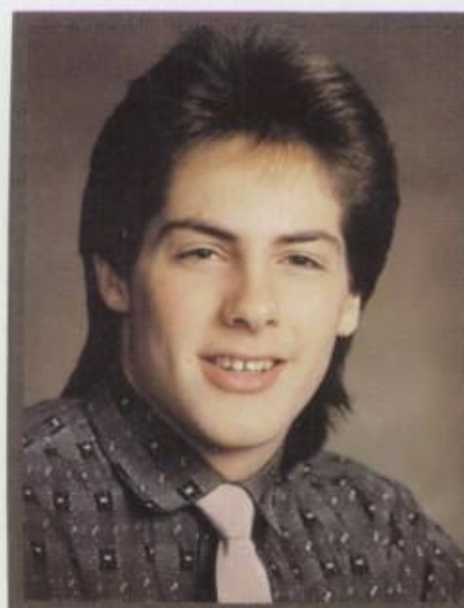
**J.P. TOTMAN**—Football 1,2,3,4; Student Council Officer 3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; National Honor Society 3,4; Newspaper Editor-in-Chief 4; Academic All-American 3.

## NOT PICTURED:

**RITA CRAIN**—Band 4; Softball 4; Vocal Music 4; Drama 3; Varsity Cheerleader Alternate 4.

**BARRY RASNIC**—Class Officer 1; Band 3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Vocal Music 3,4.

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**LINDA WHEELER**—Newspaper 3; District Speech Festival 2; Softball 2.

**KELLY WILLEY**—Student Council 1; State Speech Festival 1; Band 1,2,3,4; District Music Festival 1,2,3,4; Pep Club 1,2; FHA 1,2,3,4.





**SPIC AND SPAN.** Mopping the halls and patients' rooms at Newman Young Clinic South in Arma is senior J.P. Totman. Only working there eight hours a month for two months is fun, says Totman.



**RAINBOW CONNECTION.** Putting a four-scoop ice cream cone in a cup because it is wobbling on the cone is Michele Henrie, senior, who has worked at Baskin Robbins for two-and-half years.

**ALL ABOARD.** Part of a carry-out's job at Dillons in Pittsburg is to gather carts. Senior Paul Christman has worked there about 20 hours a week for a year and a half.



# For Members Only HURRAH *for* HATS

**D**aily from 7:45 in the morning until 3:25 in the afternoon, Monday through Friday, 23 teachers put on one hat after another.

Hall duty, bus duty and noon duty made them babysitters of sorts. Classroom duties turned them into lecturers, record keepers and performers.

Sponsorships and coaching assignments forced them to become leaders. Sprinkled throughout their jobs were bouts as counselors and nurturers.

All teachers wore their hats differently.

"I enjoy working with people. Plus, each day is a new experience. Teaching is not cut-and-dried like many jobs are," said John Underwood, English teacher.

"I enjoy watching a student's face light up when he or she has developed an understanding of facts which have been difficult to learn," said Evelyn James, art and foreign language teacher.

The end results of educating students concerned the entire faculty.

"I hope my students develop the ability to think and work independently so that after graduation they will become productive members of society," said Joe Broyles, business teacher.

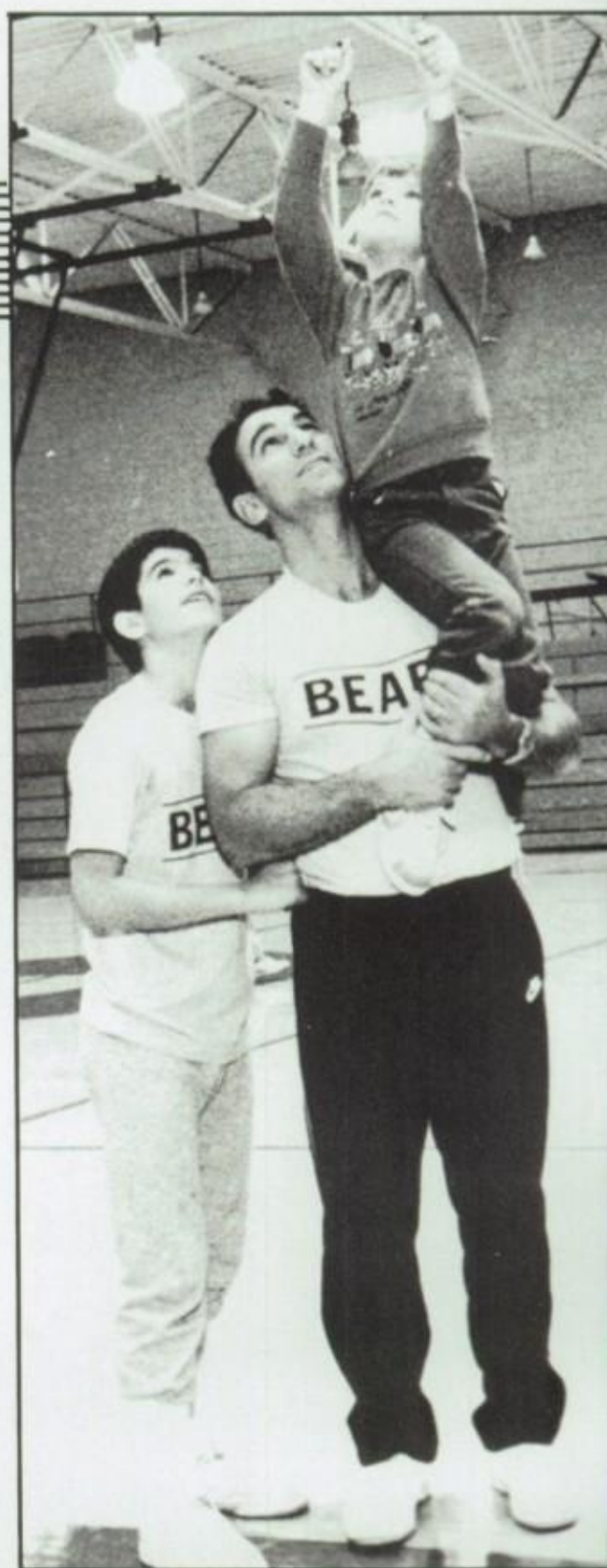
"I hope that students will learn to think for themselves and to accept responsibility for their actions," said Underwood.

Multifaceted as education forced them to be, teachers kept all the hats handy enough to wear at the slightest shift in job demand.

"Probably the key to succeeding as a teacher today is the wisdom to change techniques, subject matter and goals if the situation warrants change," said Barbara Crim, English and journalism teacher.

**POINTERS FROM DAD.** Ken Cleland, girls' basketball coach, gives his sons John and Scott some advice on dribbling and shooting techniques.

**LET'S GO ANGEL.** Getting ready to leave for Farlington quail hunting, Joe Broyles, business teacher, loads his English setter.



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# For Members Only **SUPER CHEFS**

**H**ot cheezy pizza, spicy tossed salad, juicy peaches and moist chocolate cake was the favorite meal for both students and cooks.

"I liked making pizza because it's the easiest to make and the kids really seem to like it," said Alice Grimsley, cook.

"I look forward to eating lunch on the day the cooks serve pizza. It is my favorite and the cooks do a real good job cooking it," said Amy Wilson, sophomore.

Cooking at school was not the only chore for the four cooks. After cooking for 143 students, 180 days of the year, the cooks also found time to cook for their own families when they got home.

"At home I cook for my husband, but it's really not hard because he's easy to please," said Vera Parrish, cook.

"I love to cook at school and home. I really don't prefer one to the other. At home I cook for just my husband, but I cook for a lot of kids and teachers at school. It's easier to cook for one person than over 100, but I enjoy seeing the kids come through the line," said Grimsley.

"I like to cook at school because it's fun, and I like to see the kids come through the line," said Parrish.

**COOKING THINGS UP.** To fix five meals a week at school and their own homes is not unusual or rare for Alice Grimsley, Pauline Decroux, Margaret Schroeder and Vera Parrish. The cooks serve both students and administration five days a week, 180 days a year. All of them agree watching the kids come through the line is most enjoyable.

"I really admire the cooks for all their hard work and for putting up with all the smart remarks and wise cracks we sometimes make about the food. We really don't mind the food at all or we wouldn't eat it. We just say things to have a little fun," said Greg Banks, sophomore.

"Sometimes all of the kids get together and make fun of the food at school. It's all in fun, but I know it would hurt the cooks feelings if they heard us teasing. Just so they know we don't really think it's all that bad and we understand it's hard to make real good food in large quantities. If it weren't for them, we would have to go hungry all day at school," said Patty Bass, sophomore.

"When the bell rings for lunch hour, we all race to be first in line. My favorite part of lunch is the dessert and being able to sit and talk with my friends that I don't have classes with all day," said Tom Bertoncino, sophomore.





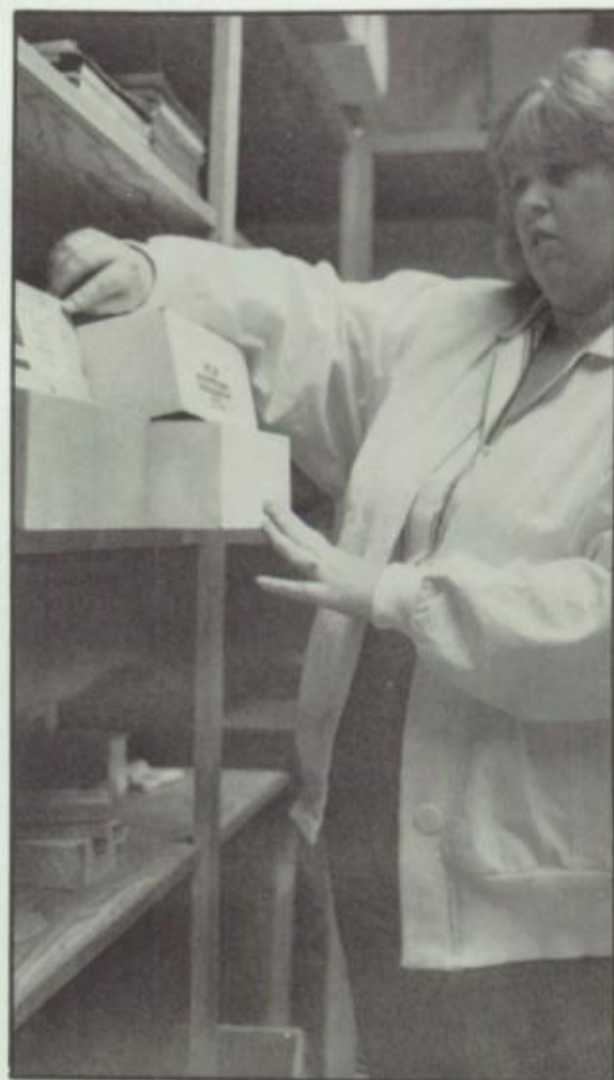


**ADMIRATION.** After playing a game against Erie, seniors Dana Davidson and Michele Henrie present Keith Goodwin with a mini-basketball with all the teams' signatures on it. The ball was presented to show their appreciation for Goodwin driving the team bus to away games.



**MAKING THE DOUGH.** Behind the scenes of the lunch room is where you'll find Alice Grimsley and Vera Parrish, who are preparing dough for cinnamon rolls. The cooks usually make the cinnamon rolls every two weeks.

**THE RIGHT COMBINATION.** Finding a clasp envelope inside the vault is Becky Skidmore, secretary. Skidmore is one of only four people who know the combination to the safe.



**CHAUFFEURS.** Driving a bus full of kids five days a week, 180 days a year is the job of Harold Mapes. Marlene Coates, Wilma Gesslein and Art Prettyman (back row) and Keith Goodwin, Joe Caputo and Andy Gesslein (front row).

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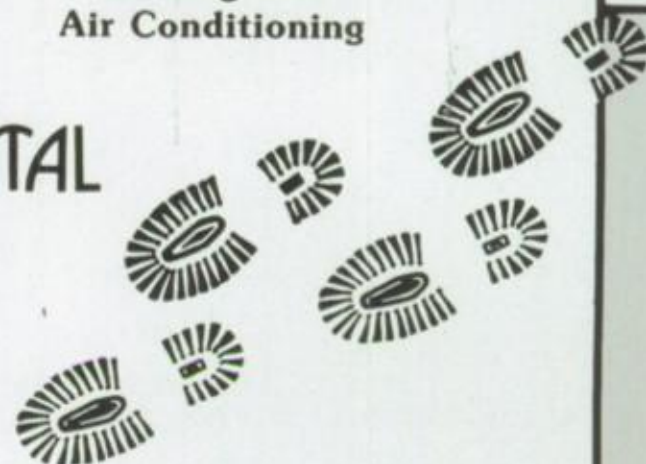
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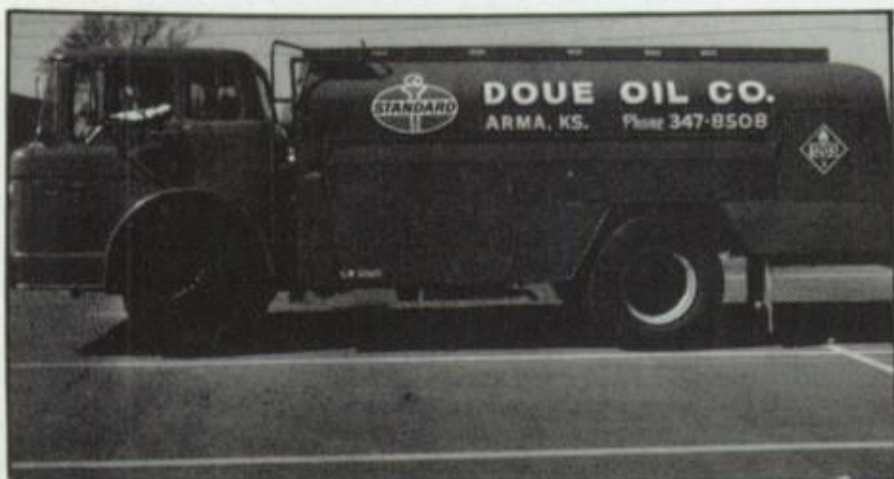
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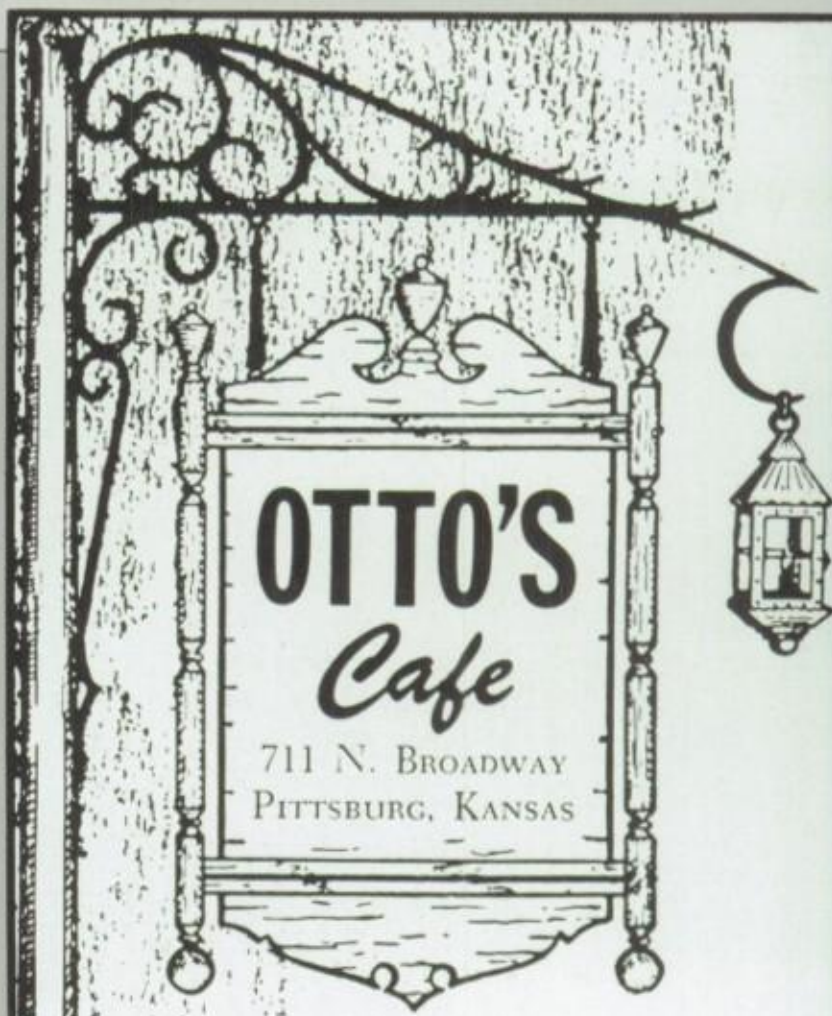


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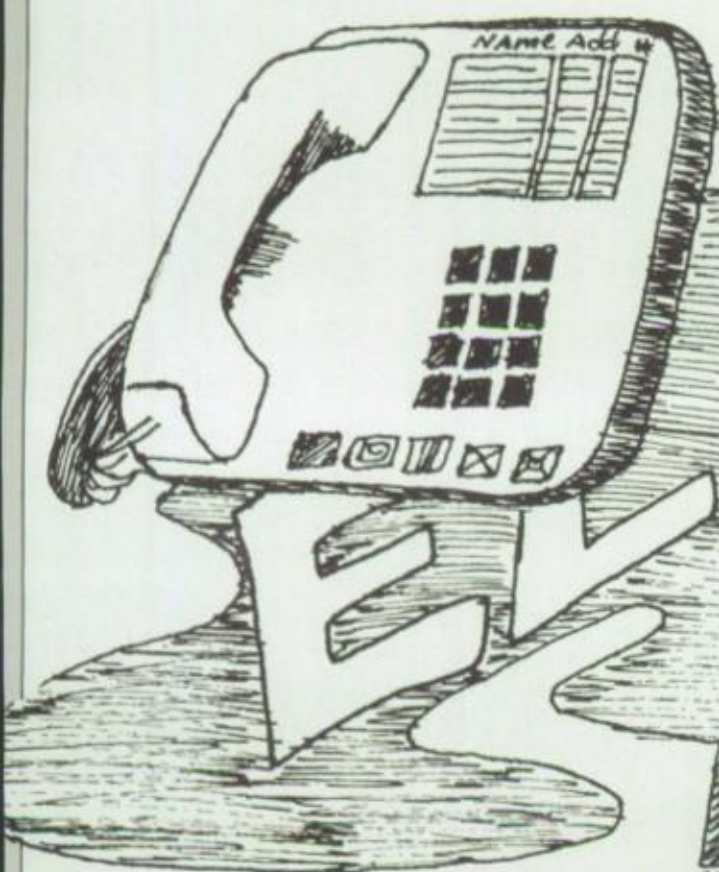
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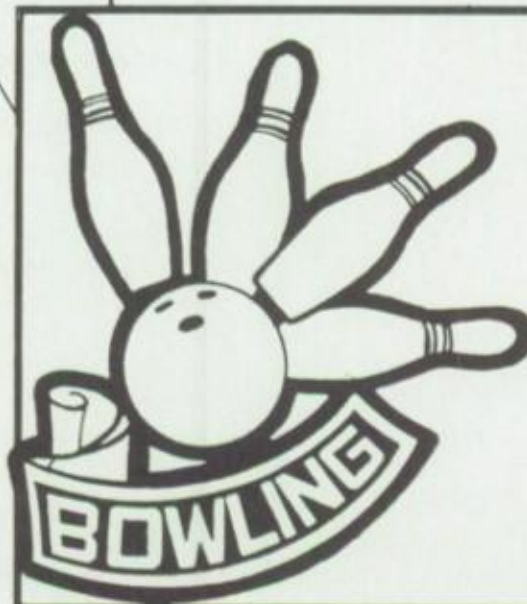


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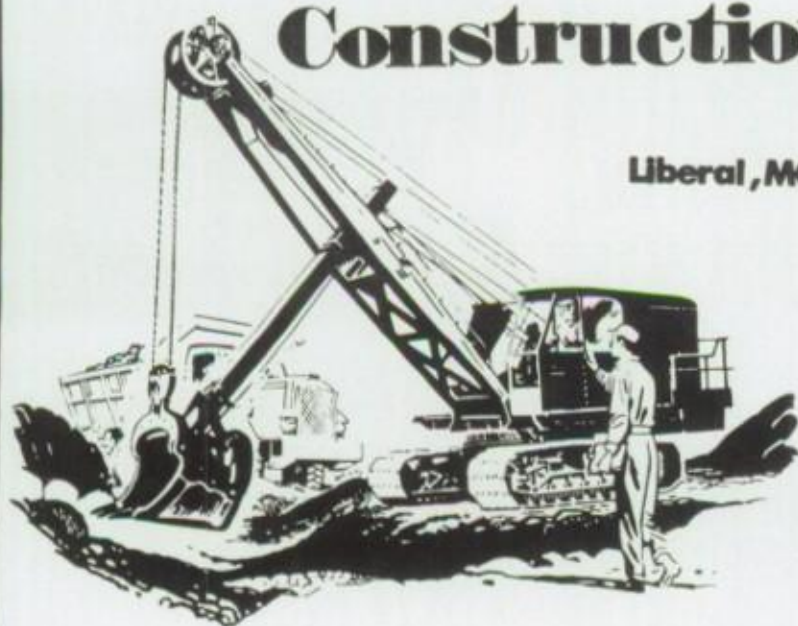
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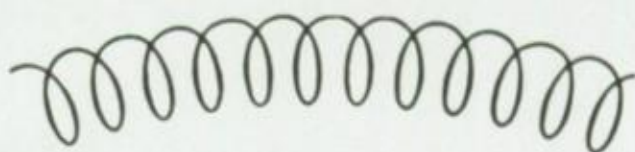
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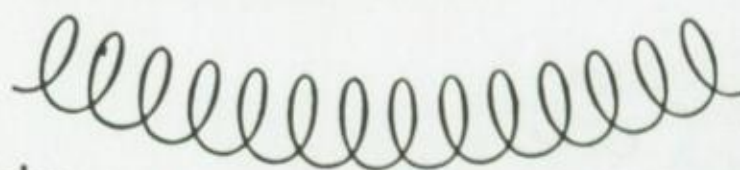
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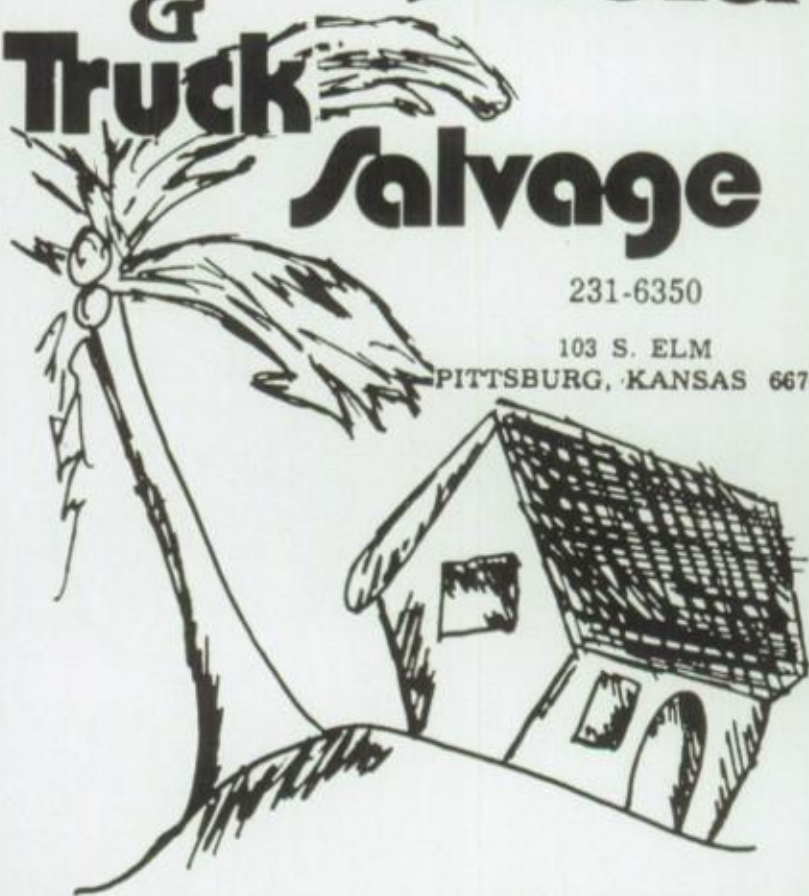


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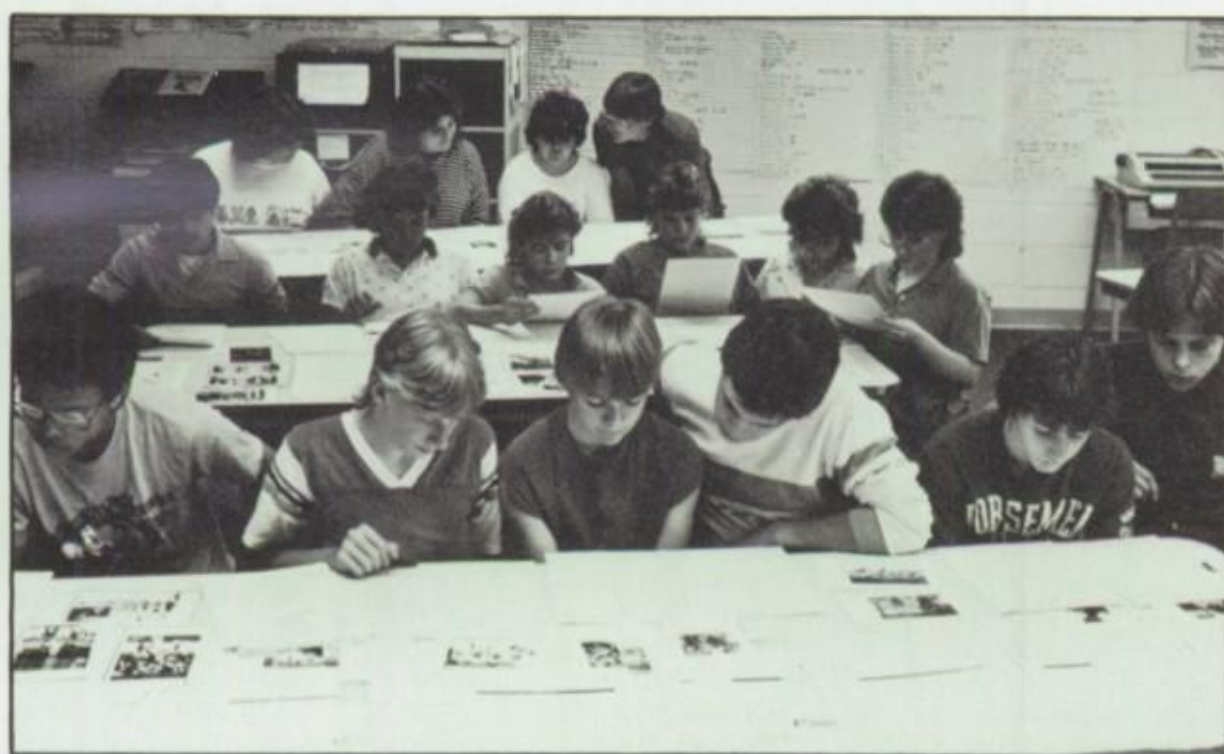




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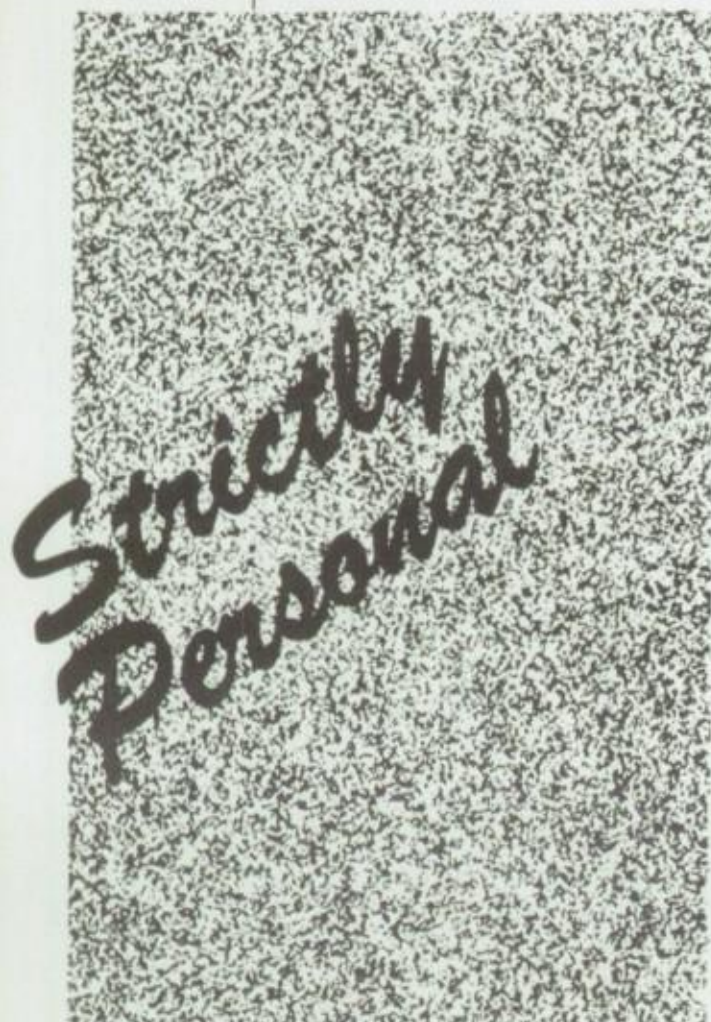


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**SIMON SAYS.** Trying to get people out on the dance floor by being the first ones dancing at the basketball homecoming dance are junior Nikki Carden and freshman Craig White.



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ompliments swelled heads when the year ended with a huge collection of awards, trophies and scholarships.

"What a smash hit!" Future Homemakers of America Parents Night was really popular because it was based on the television game-show format. Approximately 40 parents came to the engagement where they played games and had refreshments.

Gathering basketball accolades, senior Dana Davidson received All-State Honorable Mention, *The Joplin Globe* All-Area Team and Southeast Kansas District All-Area Team. Senior Michele Henrie received *The Joplin Globe* All-Area Team and Southeast Kansas District All-Star Team.

"Good news!" For the first time in history, the Northeast High School journalism department brought home the sweepstakes trophy from state journalism competition at Lawrence.

"You've just got to hear Vicki Rhodes, junior, who won first place in the vocal music competition at the regional and first at state. She sings like a pro."

"Oh, and by the way, freshman Jason Hamblin received Best of Show for the ceramics division at Girard. How creative!"

"By Friday, May 22, students were buzzing about 180 days of events, activities and personal experiences that all proved once and for all that **"Small Talk's A Big Deal."**

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**TIMBUK FOUR.** At the homecoming pep assembly teachers put on a skit for the students. Lip syncing to "The Future's So Bright I've Gotta Wear Shades" are Linda Roberts, librarian; Alan Roberts, social studies teacher; Ken Cleland, history teacher; John Underwood, English teacher; and Joe Broyles, business teacher.



**TEAMING UP.** Adding the final touches to senior Lisa Baldwin's sweat-shirt is Mitzi Tims, senior. Baldwin helps Tims to make sure the puff-paint creation is done correctly because it's for a grade.



"Receiving so many honors for basketball really made my senior year special because basketball and Coach Cleland are my favorites," said Dana Davidson, senior.

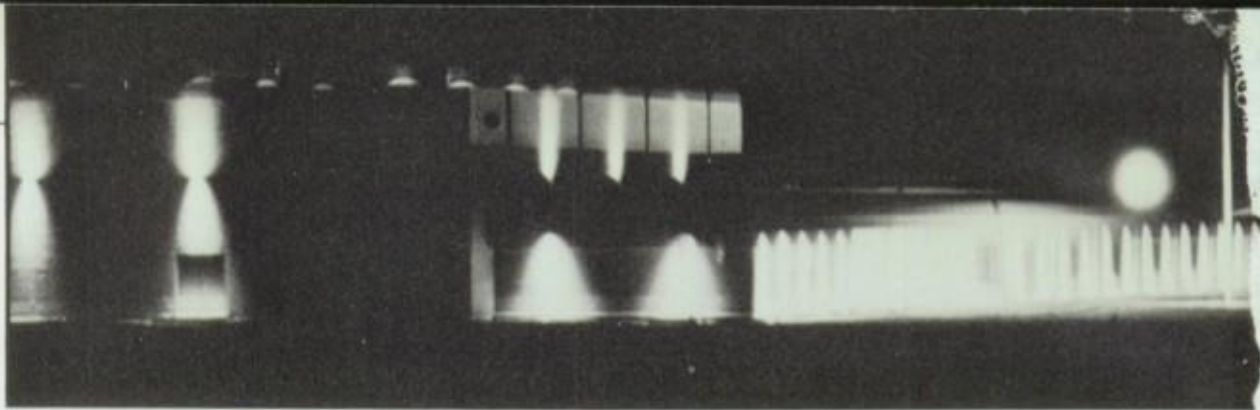


**DRESS UP.** After acting out the part of a Halloween storybook character for speech, Angela Reinier, sophomore, hands candy to classmates Rob Stewart, Mary Crowe and Amy Wilson.



**REACH OUT.** After winning the cheer contest, freshmen Mike Totman, Shane Kinsch, Curtis Popejoy, Chris Bualle, Lance Kocur, Jason Hamblin, Scott Swezey and Pat Masterson receive candy as their reward.





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eavers prevailed from March 23 on because spring break was over, and it was time for the grippers and jokesters to come alive.

"I hate it when that happens! There's still no soap in the girls' bathroom! The water fountain is clogged again!"

"Someone stole my books again. I can't believe it; I just got them back yesterday. And all my government notes are gone from my locker."

"Do we have to have class today? It's too nice out to sit in here. I'm going fishing tomorrow. I'll get a doctor's note."

"Get real! You'll just get caught again and have to take semester finals."

"I told the sub two people were absent who weren't even in Mrs. Crim's class!"

How could anyone deny what a big deal small talk was?

**NIGHT LIGHTS.** Highlighters cast an eerie glow on the ten-and-one-half-year-old Northeast High School building located on the eastern edge of Arma.

**MEASURING UP.** At the Southeast Invitational track meet, head track Coach Bill Harman marks junior Sherri Giordano's discus throw that netted sixth place. Waiting to see the length is Lynetta Younge, junior.



**OUT OF THE ORDINARY.** Watching teachers put on a rock skit is Sherri Giordano, junior. Performing teachers are Mildred Leamon, business teacher; Evelyn James, art teacher; Pat McKee, counselor; Sandy Morrison, learning resource center facilitator; Myrta Kelderhouse, home ec teacher; and Linda Roberts, librarian.

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## *A Few Last Words*

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ords both started and ended the 180 days recorded between these covers. Interesting lives bumped and wound their ways through everyone's business. A sense of intimacy prevailed everywhere we looked or listened.

From the prin-

cipal's first-day message to have the best year ever to the commencement speaker's last-night advice to have the best future possible, all of us shared secrets both great and small.

We talked in the commons before school, before classes in the hall, in the

classroom where the teacher let us for a moment, a noon and after school. What was said wasn't always important and didn't have to make much sense. But it made us feel as if we belonged and that our presence here mattered.

Someplace within all these



words were the bits and pieces that would last—the compliment a senior paid for homecoming posters or the time the band marched much straighter and played better than ever before.

Small talk made all of these big deals permanent memories.



**PERFECT FORM.** The 45-piece Northeast High School Marching Band performs on Broadway in Pittsburg, Oct. 18 at the Pittsburg State University Homecoming Parade. Junior Jeff Pryor on saxophone and senior Kathy Collins on trombone step to the drums' cadence before the band strikes up in front of the judges.

*Did You  
Miss  
Anything?*



